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### White House condemns WikiLeaks' document release



FILE-This Aug. 14, 2010 photo shows WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange in Stockholm, Sweden. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton on Friday, Nov. 26, 2010 spoke with the Chinese government about the expected release of classified cables by the Wikileaks website. The release of hundreds of thousands of cables is expected this weekend, though Wikileaks has not specified the timing.

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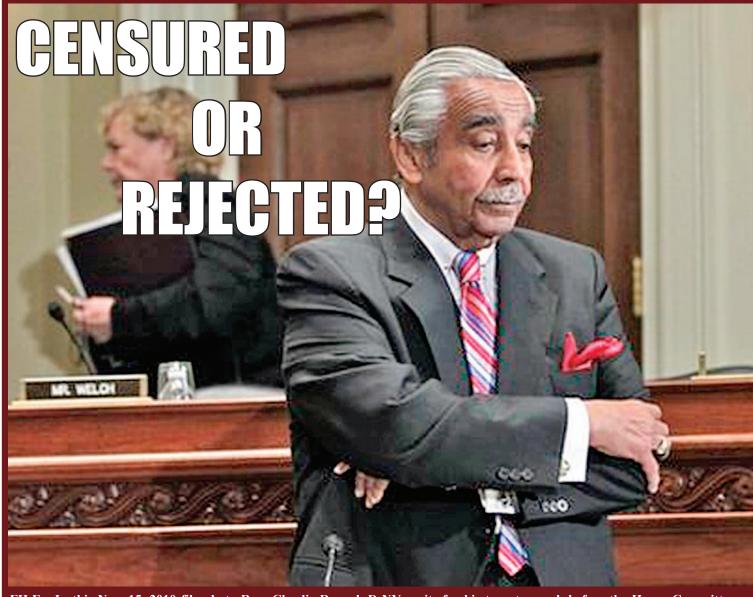
WASHINGTON – The White House says WikiLeaks' decision to release classified U.S. diplomatic files endangers U.S. diplomats, intelligence agents and democratic activists who seek America's help.

The website has defied U.S. demands that it not publish the hundreds of thousands of documents. The material includes candid assessments of foreign leaders and governments.

The White House says such initial reporting is "often incomplete information" and doesn't always shape final policy decisions.

The White House calls the release "reckless and dangerous" and counter to President Barack Obama's goal of open and accountable government at home and around the world.

It considers the files to be "stolen" and says they put at risk the cause of human rights across the globe.



FILE - In this Nov. 15, 2010 file photo Rep. Charlie Rangel, D-NY, waits for his turn to speak before the House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, where he faces 13 separate counts of violating House ethics rules on Capitol Hill in Washington. The 80-year-old Democrat from New York's Harlem neighborhood wants his punishment for ethics violations downgraded from censure to a reprimand, and is ready to make a last stand to salvage his reputation. Rep. Zoe Lofgren, D-Calif., chair of the Rangel Adjucatory Subcommittee, passes at left. .

(AP Photo/J. Scott Applewhite, File)
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## U.S., S. Korea launch war games in tense Yellow Sea

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**Associated Press** 

YEONPYEONG ISLAND, South Korea (AP) — A U.S. supercarrier and South Korean destroyer took up position in the tense Yellow Sea on Sunday for joint military exercises that were a united show of force just days after a deadly North Korean artillery attack. As tensions escalated across the region, with North Korea threatening another "merciless" attack, China belatedly jumped into the fray. Beijing's top nuclear envoy, Wu Dawei, called for an emergency meeting in early December among regional powers involved in nuclear disarmament talks, including North Korea. Seoul responded cautiously to the proposal from North Korea's staunch ally, saying it should be "reviewed very carefully" in light of North Korea's recent



South Korean ships stage off of the coast of South Korea's Yeonpyeong Island Sunday, Nov. 28, 2010. The United States and South Korea prepared for war games Sunday as South Koreans demanded vengeance over a deadly North Korean artillery bombardment that has raised fears of more clashes between the bitter rivals.

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revelation of a new uranium-enrichment facility, even as protesters begged President Lee Myung-bak to find a way to resolve the tension and restore peace.

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## BI: OR bomb suspect spoke of best site for bla



image released Nov. 27, 2010 by the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office shows Mohamed Osman Mohamud, 19. Federal agents in a sting operation arrested the Somaliborn teenager just as he tried blowing up a van full of what he believed were explosives at a crowded Christmas tree lighting ceremony, federal authorities said. The bomb was a fake supplied by the agents and the public was never in danger, authorities said.

(AP Photo/Multnomah County Sheriff's Office)

**By NIGEL DUARA** TIM FOUGHT, **Associated Press** PORTLAND, Ore. - The Somali-born university student met with an undercover

FBI agent in August at a Portland hotel and told him he had found the perfect location for a terrorist attack: the city's annual Christmas tree lighting ceremony.

Mohamed Osman Mohamud told the agent that he had dreamed of carrying out an attack for years, and the city's Pioneer Courthouse Square would be packed with thousands, "a huge mass that will ... be attacked in their own element with their families celebrating the holidays," according to an affidavit.

On Friday, Mohamud parked what he thought was a bombladen van near the ceremony and then went to a nearby train station, where he dialed a cell phone that he believed would detonate the vehicle. Instead, federal authorities moved in and arrested him. No one was hurt

The case is the latest in a string of alleged terrorist plots by U.S. citizens or residents, including one at Times Square in which a Pakistan-born man pleaded guilty earlier this year to trying to set off a car bomb at a busy street corner.

Officials said Mohamud had no formal ties to foreign terror groups, although he had reached out to suspected terrorists in Pakistan.

Authorities have not explained how a young Muslim man described by friends as an average university student who drank an occasional beer and hung out with fraternity friends became so radicalized. Mohamud is scheduled to appear in court on Monday, and it wasn't clear if he had a lawyer yet.

FBI agents say they began investigating after receiving a tip from an unidentified person who expressed concern about Mohamud.

At 15, he told undercover agents, he made a prayer for guidance, "about whether I should ... go, you know, and make jihad in a different country or to make like an operation here."

Mohamud graduated from high school in Beaverton, although few details of his time there were available Saturday. He dropped out of

Oregon State University in Corvallis on Oct. 6, the school said. He hadn't declared a major.

Yosof Wanly, imam at the Salman Alfarisi Islamic Center in Corvallis, said Mohamud was a normal student who went to athletic events, drank the occasional beer and was into rap music and culture.

Wanly said Mohamud was religious but didn't come to the mosque consistently.

Early Sunday, a fire was reported at the islamic center, and Wanly said 80 percent of the center's office was burned, but the worship areas were untouched.

Authorities in Corvallis told The Oregonian they are investigating the blaze, which was contained to one room. They have not said how it started.

Beginning in August 2009, allege, court documents e-mail Mohamud began communications with a friend overseas who had studied in Oregon, asking how he could travel to Pakistan and join the fight for jihad.

The e-mail exchanges led the FBI to believe that Mohamud's friend in Pakistan "had joined others involved in terrorist activities" and was inviting Mohamud to join him, prosecutors say.

Mohamud tried to board a flight to Kodiak, Alaska, on June 14 of this year from Portland but wasn't allowed to board and was interviewed by the FBI, prosecutors say. Mohamud told the FBI he wanted to earn money fishing and then travel to join "the brothers." He said he had previously hoped to travel to Yemen but had never obtained a ticket or a visa.

Less than two weeks later an agent e-mailed Mohamud, pretending to be affiliated with one of the people overseas whom Mohamud had tried to contact. Undercover agents then set up a series of face-toface meetings with Mohamud at hotels in Portland and Corvallis. They persuaded Mohamud they were in contact with a "council" of jihadists that were interested in him, the documents say.

#### Graham: No quick end to 'don't ask, don't tell'

WASHINGTON A Republican senator on Sunday played down the chances that the ban on gays serving openly in the military would be lifted during the lame-duck session of Congress that resumes this week.

While the House has already voted to repeal the "don't ask, don't tell" policy, Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., said he didn't see the effort to end the ban as having enough Republican supporters in the Senate.

"I think in a lame-duck setting, 'don't ask, don't tell' is not going anywhere," Graham said on "Fox News Sunday." President Barack Obama pledged during his presidential campaign to seek repeal of the law allowing gays to serve in the military forces as long as they don't reveal their sexual orientation. Under the law, military officials are not allowed to inquire about sexual orientation.

The effort to repeal the ban on gays serving openly would face far more difficult votes in the Congress set to convene in January. Republicans would be in the majority in the House, and the Democratic majority in the Senate would narrow to a handful of seats.

Earlier this year Defense Robert Gates Secretary requested a study on how lifting the ban would affect the armed forces and could be carried out. He has ordered the release of the study on Tuesday, and the Senate Armed Services Committee plans hearings Thursday and Friday.

Gates and the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Adm. Mike Mullen, support ending the "don't ask, don't tell" policy.

Mullen, who has said he favored the lame-duck Congress taking action if that would be the fastest way to repeal the ban, said he believed that asking people to lie about themselves went against the integrity of the armed forces.

The commandant of the

Marine Corps, Gen. James Amos, has said the policy shouldn't be lifted in wartime, arguing that openly gay troops could disrupt the cohesion of combat units.

A Pentagon survey of troops taken over the summer as part of the Gates-ordered study was expected to show that some 70 percent of respondents say that lifting the ban would have a positive or mixed effect, or none at all, according to officials familiar with the findings. The survey also found pockets of resistance among combat troops.

Sunday news show appearances, Graham and Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., contended that the "don't ask, don't tell" policy was not a problem for the military and that lifting it was being pursued because of Obama's campaign promise.

"This was a political promise made by an inexperienced president or candidate for presidency of the United States," McCain said on



FILE - In this Feb. 2, 2010, file photo Defense Secretary Robert Gates, left, and Joint Chiefs Chairman Adm. Michael Mullen arrive to testify before the Senate Armed Services Committee on the 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' policy on Capitol Hill in Washington. The Defense Department survey on the policy is due out Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2010, with Gates and Mullen expected to testify again before the committee Thursday and Friday.

(AP Photo/Manuel Balce Ceneta, File)

CNN's "State of the Union." "The military is at its highest point in recruitment and retention and professionalism and capability, so to somehow allege that this policy has been damaging the military is simply false," McCain said.

"So the fact is that this system is working."

McCain called for assessing the impact on morale and battlefield effectiveness of lifting the ban, "not on how best to implement a change in policy."

## Diego drug tunnel had railcar, tons of pot

By ELLIOT SPAGAT, **Associated Press** 

SAN DIEGO – Investigators suspect a major drug cartel was the driving force behind two long, sophisticated tunnels connecting Mexico with the U.S. that were discovered this month along with more than 40 tons of marijuana.

Authorities said underground passage located Thursday was similar to one found earlier — both running around 2,000 feet from Mexico to San Diego and equipped with lighting, ventilation, and a rail system for drugs to be carried on a small cart.

The tunnels are believed to be the work of Mexico's Sinaloa cartel, headed by that country's most-wanted drug lord, Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman, said Mike Unzueta, head of investigations at U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement in San Diego.

"We think ultimately they are controlled by the same overall cartel but that the tunnels were being managed and run independently by different cells operating within the same organization," Unzueta said Friday.

The tunnel found Thursday is more than seven football fields in length and extends from the kitchen of a home in Tijuana, Mexico, to two warehouses in San Diego's Otay Mesa

industrial district.

Three men were arrested in the United States, and the Mexican military raided a ranch in Mexico and made five arrests in connection with the tunnel, authorities said.

US authorities have discovered more than 125 clandestine tunnels along the Mexican border since the early 1990s, though many were crude and incomplete.

The passage found Thursday is one of the most sophisticated to date, with an entry shaft in Mexico lined with cinderblocks and the rail system, Unzueta said.

U.S. authorities do not know how long the latest tunnel was operating. Unzueta said investigators began to look into it in June on a tip that emerged from a large bust of marijuana, cocaine and methampethamine by the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department.

U.S. authorities followed a trailer from one of the warehouses to a Border Patrol checkpoint in Temecula, where they seized 27,600 pounds of marijuana. The driver, whose name was not released, was arrested, along with two others who went to a residence in suburban El Cajon that had \$13,500 cash inside

"That (trailer) was literally

filled top to bottom, front to back," Unzueta said. "There wasn't any room for anything else in that tractor-trailer but air."

Three tons of marijuana were found in a "subterranean room" and elsewhere in the tunnel on the U.S. side, authorities said. Mexican officials seized four tons of pot at a ranch in northern Mexico, bringing the total haul to more than 20 tons.

The discovery of the crossborder tunnel earlier this month marked one of the largest marijuana seizures in the United States, with confiscating agents tons of marijuana they said was smuggled through the underground passage. That tunnel ran the length of six football fields under the border and warehouses in Mexico and San Diego. One of the warehouses involved in the tunnel discovered Thursday is only a half-block away.

In Thursday's discovery, the tunnel's cinderblock-lined entry in Mexico dropped 80 to 90 feet to a wood-lined floor, Unzueta said. From the U.S. side, there was a stairway leading to a room about 50 feet underground that was full of marijuana.

"It's a lot like how the ancient Egyptians buried the kings and queens," Unzueta said.



An agent from the San Diego Tunnel Task Force walks through part of the passageway of a tunnel found under the U.S.-Mexico border, in San Diego, November 26, 2010.

Several sophisticated tunnels

have ended in San Diego warehouses. **ICE** began meeting with landowners last month to warn them about leasing space to tunnel

"These owners of warehouses, they need to know their customers, they need to know who's in there leasing these things," Unzueta said.



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#### Fire reported at Ore. Islamic center; no injuries

CORVALLIS, Ore. - Arson caused a fire at an Islamic center on Sunday that was the occasional place of worship for a Somali-born teen who two days ago was arrested on charges of plotting a terror attack in Portland, authorities said. Carla Pusateri, a fire prevention officer for the Corvallis Fire Department, said the fire at the Salman Al-Farisi Islamic Center was set early Sunday morning. She says "quite a bit of evidence" was left at the scene, which led her to believe the fire was intentionally set.

injuries have been No reported.

The Islamic center was frequented by Mohamed Osman Mohamud, a 19-yearold held on charges of plotting to carry out a terror attack



The Salman Al-Farisi Center in Corvallis, Ore. is photographed on Saturday, Nov. 27, 2010. Mohamed Osman Mohamud, 19, who allegedly planned a bombing in Portland, Ore. during Friday's Christmas tree lighting ceremony, attended this center. (AP Photo/Steve Dykes)

at a Christmas tree lighting were untouched.

ceremony in Portland on Friday. Yosof Wanly, imam at the center, said 80 percent of the center's office was burned, but the worship areas

Wanly said he has been advised by friends to take his family out of their home, and is debating whether to do

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## Tax break for employer health plans a target aga



FILE - In this Nov. 10, 2010 file photo, Erskine Bowles, left, accompanied by former Wyoming Sen. Alan Simpson, co-chairmen of President Barack Obama's bipartisan deficit commission, speaks on Capitol Hill in Washington. Job-based health care benefits could wind up on the chopping block if President Barack Obama and congressional Republicans get serious about cutting the federal deficit. Major budget proposals from leaders on both sides of the political aisle have recently urged downsizing or eliminating tax breaks that help make employer health insurance the leading source of coverage in the nation, a middle-class mainstay.

(AP Photo/Alex Brandon, File)

#### **By RICARDO ALONSO-**ZALDIVAR,

**Associated Press** 

WASHINGTON – Job-based health care benefits could wind up on the chopping block if President Barack Obama and congressional Republicans get serious about cutting the deficit. Budget

proposals from leaders in both parties have urged shrinking or eliminating tax breaks that help make employer health insurance the leading source of coverage in the nation and a middle-class mainstay.

The idea isn't to just raise revenue, economists say, but finally to turn Americans into

frugal health care consumers by having them face the full costs of their medical decisions.

Such a re-engineering was rejected by Democrats only a few months ago, at the height of the health care overhaul debate. But Washington has changed, with Republicans back in power and widespread fears that the burden of government debt may drag down the economy.

"There is no short-term prospect of enactment," former Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, a leading Democratic adviser on health care. "However, in a tax reform (and) deficit reducing context in the long term, the prospects are much better," said Daschle. He opposes repealing the tax break by itself, but says he would be "willing to look" at it with other changes that improve access to quality health care while reducing costs.

Labor unions believed they had squelched any such talk. Now, they're preparing for another fight.

Tampering with health care tax breaks is "a terrible step in the wrong direction," said Mary Kay Henry, the new president of the Service Employees International Union, which represents many hospital workers. "We want the middle class stabilized, not destabilized."

Employer-provided health insurance is part of a worker's is so serious that Republicans compensation. Unlike wages, it isn't subject to income and payroll taxes.

Repealing the tax break would raise several hundred billion dollars a year, depending on how it's done. Many economists believe employers would boost pay if they didn't provide health care. Proponents of repeal usually call for a tax credit to offset part of the cost of individually purchasing coverage.

The leaders of Obama's deficit commission — Democrat Erskine Bowles, a former Clinton White House chief of staff, and Alan Simpson, a former GOP senator from Wyoming — have proposed to limit the tax break or eliminate it along with other cherished deductions, such as the one for mortgage interest. That would allow for a big cut in tax rates. The commission is supposed to report its plan on Wednesday. It's unclear if leaders have the votes to back their sweeping changes. A separate group, the Bipartisan Policy Center, is proposing to cap the health care tax break in 2018 and eliminate it over the next 10 years. That's part of a deficit reduction strategy from Democrat Alice Rivlin, a former Federal Reserve vice chairman, and former Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N-M., who once led the Senate Budget Committee.

"The problem of rising debt their proposal.

and Democrats are going to have go back and look at almost everything to see how we solve this," said Rivlin.

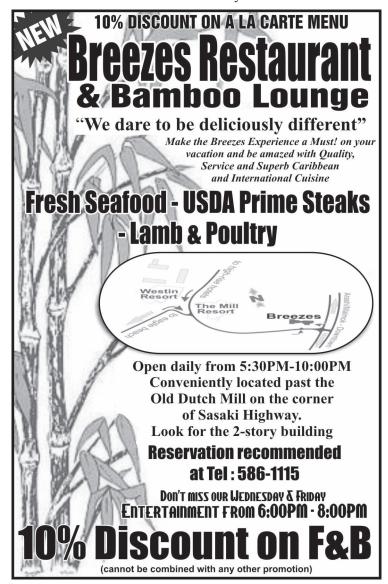
Simpson calls the health care tax break a "tax earmark." He said that "you cannot get anything done in this game unless you deal with every single aspect of the federal budget, and the biggest thing to wrap our arms around is health care.'

Democrats struggled with proposals to curb the tax break during the health care debate, but strong opposition from organized labor won out. The compromise was a tax on high-cost health insurance plans, which won't go into effect until 2018.

In a twist, the health care law eventually may make it easier to pry people away from employer insurance, a system that dates to World War II and has sustained three generations.

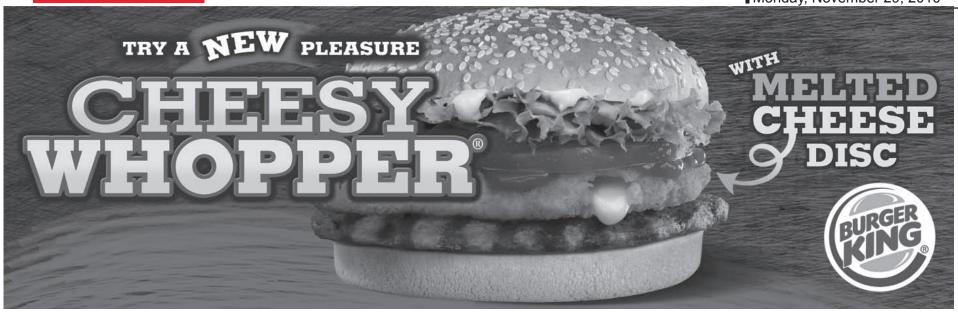
Starting in 2014, new insurance markets will make it easier for people to buy coverage on their own. These state-based "exchanges" would work like the federal employee health plan. Taxpayer subsidies will help individuals and families with low to moderate incomes pay premiums.

"Before health reform, a declining role for employers would have raised concerns," Rivlin and Domenici said in





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## APNewsBreak: Rangel wants House to reject censure

By LARRY MARGASAK,

**Associated Press** 

WASHINGTON – Rep. Charles Rangel is ready to make a last stand to salvage his reputation and tell the House that a censure should be reserved for crooked politicians.

He will argue that he's not one of them.

The 80-year-old Democrat from New York's Harlem neighborhood wants his punishment for ethics violations downgraded to a reprimand, according to congressional and nongovernment sources who are in touch with Rangel but are not authorized to be quoted by name.

Rangel will ask the House ethics committee chairman, Rep. Zoe Lofgren, D-Calif., for time to plead his case on the floor of the House, where he has served for 40 years, including a stint as chairman of the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee.

The ethics committee voted 9-1 on Nov. 18 that Rangel should be censured for committing 11 counts of fundraising and financial misdeeds that violated House rules.

There is precedent for Rangel's argument that censure — the most severe punishment short of expulsion — is too harsh in his case. It won't be easy because he'll have to overcome the overwhelming vote of a committee that has an equal number of Democrats and Republicans.

Rangel plans to argue that censure has been imposed for violations including bribery, accepting improper gifts, personal use of campaign funds and sexual misconduct; none is present in his case.

The ethics committee, in explaining its recommendation, agreed in a report that the discipline usually is reserved for lawmakers who enrich themselves. In Rangel's case, the committee said, its decision was based on "the cumulative nature of the violations and not any direct personal financial gain."

The committee's chief counsel, Blake Chisam, responding to a question from a committee member, told Rangel's ethics trial that he saw no evidence of corruption.

The House will take up Rangel's discipline in the postelection session that resumes Monday, but no date has been set for decide his punishment.

To the public, a censure and a reprimand appear similar. Both punishments are meted out on the floor of the House and include a vote disapproving a member's conduct.

A censure goes beyond the vote and requires the disciplined member to appear at the front of the chamber — called the "well" — and receive an oral rebuke from the speaker that includes a reading of the resolution. A reprimand is simply a vote of disapproval. It can be a separate resolution or a vote to adopt the ethics committee's findings. The punished lawmaker is not required to stand in the well. Rangel was found to have

Rangel was found to have improperly used official resources — congressional letterheads and staff — to raise funds from businesses and foundations for a center named after him at the City College of New York.

Some of the donors, the committee found, were

businesses and foundations with issues before the House Ways and Means Committee. The contributions left the impression that the money was to influence legislation, although Rangel was not charged with taking any action on behalf of donors.

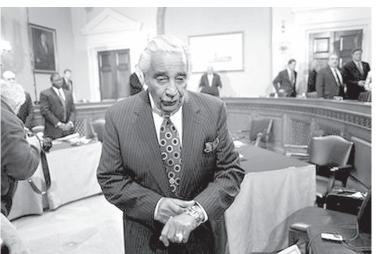
He also was found guilty of filing a decade's worth of misleading annual financial disclosure forms that failed to list hundreds of thousands of dollars in assets, and failure to pay taxes for 17 years on his rental unit in the Dominican Republic — an embarrassment for someone who presided over tax legislation.

In addition, the committee told Rangel to pay any taxes he still owed.

The sources said Rangel complied last week, sending the U.S. Treasury a check for \$10,422 and a check for \$4,501 to New York state.

Rangel has apologized and admitted his mistakes, although he denied any intent to violate standards of conduct. Twenty-two House members have been censured while nine have been reprimanded. The last censures were in 1983, when the House disciplined Reps. Gerry E. Studds, a Massachusetts Democrat. and Daniel Crane, an Illinois Republican. Both were cited for sexual misconduct with teenage pages — Studds with a male page, Crane with a female one.

Rep. Joe Wilson, R-S.C., was the last to be reprimanded. He was disciplined in September 2009, in a partisan vote, for shouting "You lie!" at President Barack Obama during a nationally televised speech to Congress.



FILE - In this Nov. 18, 2010, file photo Rep. Charles Rangel, D, N.Y., leaves after the House ethics committee recommended that he be censured and pay any unpaid taxes for financial and fundraising misconduct on Capitol Hill in Washington. The 80-year-old Democrat from New York's Harlem neighborhood is ready to make a last stand to salvage his reputation and tell the House that a censure should be reserved for crooked politicians. He will argue that he's not one of them.

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## Ex charged in NY with murdering Pa. dance student

## MISSING



Jenni-Lyn Watson Liverpool, NY. 5'2", approx 100lbs. Last seen Friday, Nov 19th Contact the Onondaga County Sheriff's detectives at 315-435-3081 with information.



Verizon LG enV3 with a blue cover. Call if found

This image released by the Watson family and provided by The Post-Standard shows a missing poster for Jenni-Lyn Watson, 20. Nearly 100 law enforcement officers and volunteers are searching a Syracuse, N.Y., suburb for a 20-year-old college student who went missing a week ago after she returned home for Thanksgiving break. Watson disappeared last Friday, a day after arriving at her family's home in Clay.

(AP Photo)

CLAY, N.Y. – A 20-year-old Pennsylvania dance student who vanished last week while on Thanksgiving break in her hometown was killed by her on-again, off-again boyfriend, who then dumped her body in a park "like garbage," a prosecutor said Saturday.

Onondaga County District Attorney William Fitzpatrick

said 21-year-old Steven Pieper of Liverpool, N.Y., was charged with murder in the death of Jenni-Lyn Watson, a junior dance major at Mercyhurst College in Erie, Pa. He pleaded not guilty Saturday night at his initial appearance in Clay town court.

Pieper was held without bail because of the seriousness of

the charge, Fitzpatrick told the Syracuse Post-Standard. Pieper did not have a phone number listed at his home address. A message left at a relative's house was not immediately returned Saturday. It was unclear whether he had an attorney. Eden Mishler, a dance major who met Watson three years ago during her freshman year at Mercyhurst College, told The Associated Press that she had met Pieper several times but didn't know him that well.

"She would talk to us, just saying, after they broke up, that he was trying to contact her and friend request her on Facebook," the 21-yearold Mishler said. "She was avoiding him."

But she said the two had a rocky relationship, and there was some jealousy. Mishler Nevertheless, thought he cared for her.

her Facebook page,

Mishler posted: "Rest in peace Jenni-Lyn Watson. You are truly loved and will be missed so much. I love you ballet buddy!"

The arrest came hours after searchers combing through woods for any sign of Watson found the body of a woman believed to be the missing student covered in debris behind a storage shed in a swampy area of Clay Central Park, Fitzpatrick said.

The site was part of a 1,200-acre area canvassed by more than 100 police and volunteers in suburban Syracuse.

Fitzpatrick said Pieper was upset when Watson tried to end their relationship in early October. He said investigators believe Pieper killed Watson at her parents' house on Nov. 19, and her body was "dumped, frankly, like garbage," in the park.

"We do not believe she left that house alive," Fitzpatrick

said.

Fitzpatrick said the remains have not been positively identified but were consistent in age and race with Watson. Her parents have been notified. An autopsy was expected to be performed Sunday to determine the cause of death, he said.

Watson went missing last Friday, a day after arriving at her family's home north of Syracuse.

The search effort was stepped Friday. Undersheriff Warren Darby said they doubled the area where they were looking, and volunteers copied and handed out thousands of fliers and held vigils.

The body was found in the search, about two miles north of Watson's home. Investigators were led to the wooded area near her home after a cell phone transmission the day she disappeared.



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## **Marriott Celebrates Winners of 3rd** Quarter with A Masquerade Ball



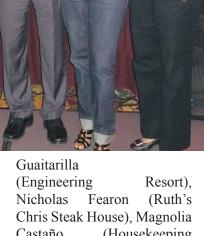
PALM BEACH - On Tuesday November 23, 2010 the Aruba Marriott celebrated the All Star Team, Manager and Supervisor of the 3rd Quarter with a masquerade ball in the resort's Grand Ballroom. Vice President and General Manager Kevin Schwab opened the event in Papiamento, congratulating all nominees of the third quarter for their commitment to excellence, engaging

efforts with guests and displaying Marriott's 'Spirit to Serve'. The All Star Team, Manager and Supervisor of the Quarter nominees were selected by means of their cooperation and ability to get along with peers, exceptional performance



supervisory skills and most importantly, having the ability to lead the resort to a higher level as it relates to attentive, courteous and exceptional service.Hotel Manager Louella Brezovar announced the twenty seven nominees of the 3rd Quarter All Stars.

Among the nominees a team of six was crowned All Star Team of the 3rd Quarter based on their hard work and dedication: Felix Werleman (Casino Accounting), Luis



Castaño (Housekeeping Club), Ocean Mariana Eduwardo (Front Office Ocean Club) and

Yannich Croes (Systems). Due to great achievements and accomplishments, Kevin Schwab, Vice President and General Manager, announced two winners of the Supervisor of the 3rd Quarter, Gail Sahit Admin) (Executive and Johnny Kock (Loss Prevention), both working at the Marriott Ocean Club. Hotel Manager Louella Brezovar proudly announced Jenny Erazo as Manager of the 3rd Quarter. As Director of Retail, overseeing and managing the retail

stores in the Resort and Surf Club, Jenny has managed to lend a helping hand in the Events department with groups and implementing Marriott International "Take care" program. All nominees received a personal gift,





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PALM BEACH — Recently, all associates and management of The Westin Resort, Aruba were invited to attend a special luncheon in the resort's Palm Beach Ballroom in honor of the nominees for Brand Champion of the Month for October.

The culinary and banquets team put together a festive holiday luncheon in the traditional Thanksgiving style, with turkey, ham, and all the trimmings.

The Brand Champion of the Month nominees were nominated by management for exemplifying Westin's core values, including

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October—Salome Koolman from the kitchen's pastry department for a passion for creating great pastry and bread, and always showing consistency and dependability; from Front



of the House for October— Agnes Miro from the Food & Beverage department for her personal touch with every guest interaction in the Bon Bini Café, and her innate ability to anticipate the needs of guests.

Pictured here are the winners and nominees being congratulated by General Manager Richard Roy.

Congratulations to all!



## Families & Friends Celebrate Thanksgiving Dinner At La Vista





PALM BEACH - - On Thursday November 25th, families and friends celebrated Thanksgiving Day at Marriott's La Vista restaurant. Guests enjoyed an extensive Thanksgiving dinner buffet with inclusions such as the traditional roasted turkey with sage dressing and giblet gravy, pumpkin ravioli, candied sweet potatoes, selection of salad station, carving station,

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## We are closed for just one day

PALM BEACH – On Monday, November 29, Amazonia Churrascaria will be closed for just one day. The restaurant will be installing a new salad bar, for the comfort and convenience of its guests. The work will be done that same day, and the restaurant will be open on Tuesday, November 30th for business as usual.

Amazonia Churrascaria features a giant salad bar, which is one of the focal points of the exciting dining experience. The salad bar display enjoys many seasonal specials and always consists of freshly cut vegetables and dressings, Grilled Marinated Eggplant, Grilled Marinated Portobello Mushrooms, Deviled Eggs, Potato Salad, Cold Pasta Salad, Couscous, Cole Slaw, Corn & Bean Succotash, Imported Hearts of Palm, Tangy Tabbouleh, Artichoke Hearts, Chicken Salad, Pepper Salami, Aged French Cheeses, Crisp Smoked Bacon, Brazilian Brown Rice, Brazilian Black Beans w/Pork and Farofa, even before the main course is served by the restaurant gauchos, who continuously offer 16 choice cuts of grilled beef, chicken, lamb, pork & sausage, seasoned to perfection and slow roasted over open flame. See you on Tuesday!





### Gorgeous christening party at De Suikertuin for Allegra Mya Maria



ORANJESTAD - The prettiest little baby girl you have ever seen celebrated her christening at De Suikertuin last Sunday, November 28.

A rosebud mouth, tiny fingers and closed eyes, as she was taking a short nap, had everyone melting for 8-week old Allegra Mya. Mother Kyle Bennett and father Shurby Maria had organized an unforgettable luncheon for family members and friends: De Suikertuin was filled with gorgeous flowers and beautiful candles. Sister Vida (all of 2 years old) had a great time as well, eating as many sweets as she liked.

Vida looked lovely too, sporting a beautiful red rose in her hairdo.

The names Allegra (cheerfulness, joy) and Vida (life) refer to Joie de Vivre (joy for life).

Sunday was quite a long day for baby Allegra: she had been christened in the church of Santa Cruz earlier that morning and later on she was the star of the party. Lunch consisted of a welcome mimosa, followed by De Suikertuin chef Marjory's keshi yena and nasi goreng, referring to the Curaçao and Surinam roots of rehabilitation physician at the dr. Horacio



Oduber Hospital Kyle and popular musician Shurby. Of course there was fantastic live music delighting the guests: Juancho Tromp accompanied singer Shurby Maria on the guitar.

Asked why Kyle had chosen De Suikertuin for this important day in the life of her baby girl, the proud mother just made a sweeping gesture which encompassed the glowing, romantic restaurant. "That is obvious," she said with a smile. She was right: sometimes words are too much.



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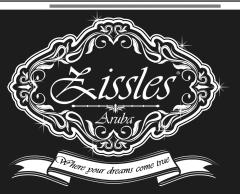
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## Ladies Night at Cool Casino delivers great fun



Palm Beach -- Cool Casino hosted its weekly Ladies Night on Wednesday with an added element of excitement. The local Christmas Gift Show, presented by channel 15, ATV, filmed a live hour at the casino filled with music and holiday cheer.

Local TV hosts Ruben Garcia and Cherry Muller teamed up with Deyanira Zuniga, Marketing Supervisor and Sandro Lacle, Casino Manager to produce an evening packed with surprises from delicious local snacks to festive cake, cocktails and live music.

Grupo Di Betico, a most popular local band entertained party-goers

traditional holiday music, which inspired guests to kick up their heels and let loose, dancing and romancing right in the middle of the gaming floor.

Several guests made an appearance during the live TV broadcast of the Christmas Gift Show, introducing the casino's \$10 promotional slot cash, the casino's weekly Blackjack tournament and Sunday's free slot tournament. Lovely Devanira Zuniga also reported that Cool Casino just struck a deal with Aruba Wine and Dine, valid at nine fine restaurants, to award patrons \$10 promotional slot cash for every \$75 spent on lunch



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#### WAR GAMES

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troubled relations between the two Koreas, which fought a three-year war in the 1950s, have steadily deteriorated since Lee's conservative government took power in 2008 with a tough new policy toward nucleararmed North Korea.

Eight months ago, a South Korean warship went down in the western waters, killing 46 sailors in the worst attack on the South Korean military since the Korean War. Then, last Tuesday, North Korean troops showered artillery on Yeonpyeong, a South Koreanheld island that houses military bases as well as a civilian population of 1,300 — an attack that marked a new level of hostility.

Two South Korean marines and two civilians were killed and 18 others wounded in the hailstorm of artillery that sent residents fleeing into bunkers and reduced homes on the island to charred rubble.

North Korea blamed the South for provoking the attack by holding artillery drills

near the Koreas' maritime border, and has threatened to be "merciless" if the current war games — set to last until Dec. 1 — get too close to its territory. As U.S. and South Korean ships, including the nuclear-powered USS George Washington, sailed into the waters off Korea's west coast Sunday, China began launching its diplomatic bid to calm tensions. Washington and Seoul had been pressing China, North Korea's main ally and benefactor, to help defuse the situation amid fears of all-out war. China, slow at first to react, has quickened its diplomatic intervention in recent days. Chinese state councilor Dai Bingguo made a last-minute visit to Seoul to confer with Lee. Lee pressured China to contribute to peace in a "more objective, responsible" matter, and warned Sunday that Seoul would respond "strongly" to any further provocation, the presidential office said.

The strong words were Lee's first public comment in days. He was due to address the nation Monday morning amid



Korea, Sunday, Nov. 28, 2010. The U.S. and South Korea launched a round of war games in Korean waters sent residents and journalists on a front-line island scrambling for cover Sunday.

Appearing Sunday CNN's "State of the Union" Sunday, U.S. Sen. John McCain, the top Republican on the Senate Armed Services Committee, said China should rein in its neighbor. "The key to this,

responsible world power. It cannot be in China's long-term interest to see a renewed conflict on the Korean peninsula." North Korea has walked a path of defiance since launching

**Associated Press** a rocket in April 2009 in violation of U.N. Security Council resolutions and abandoning the disarmament process in protest against the condemnation that followed. However, in recent months Pyongyang has shown an eagerness to get back to the talks, and has appeared increasingly frustrated by U.S. and South Korean reluctance to restart the negotiations.

Seoul has said it wants an acknowledgment of regret for the sinking of the Cheonan warship in March as well as a concrete show of commitment to denuclearization.

North Korea, which cites the U.S. military presence in South Korea as a main reason behind its drive to build atomic weapons, routinely calls the joint exercises between the allies a rehearsal for war.

Washington, which keeps 28,500 troops in South Korea to protect the ally, insists the routine drills were planned before last Tuesday's attack.



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## German Jews elect first leader born after Holocaust

JUERGEN BAETZ **Associated Press** 

BERLIN (AP) — Germany's main Jewish group on Sunday elected its first leader born after the Holocaust, a 60-year-old businessman who promised to focus the organization more on contemporary Jewish life. Dieter Graumann was born

Jewish refugees who moved to Germany two years later He said after his unanimous election by the board of the Central Council of Jews in Frankfurt that he wants to focus on the positive aspects of Jewish existence in Germany, including "the joy of life,"

in Israel in 1950, the son of German news agency DAPD reported.

> "Judaism doesn't always exclusively mean persecution, misery and catastrophes," Graumann said in early November at a Kristallnacht commemoration ceremony in Frankfurt.

As vice-president of the



60-year-old businessman Dieter Graumann poses for photographers after he was elected new leader of Germany's Central Council of Jews in Frankfurt, Germany, Sunday, Nov. 28, 2010. Graumann succeeds 78-year-old Charlotte Knobloch, who did not seek a new term as the organization's president.

**Associated Press** 

## Mexico captures an alleged leader of Aztecas drug gang

MEXICO CITY (AP) -Mexico's federal police have captured a presumed leader of a cross-border drug gang suspected in dozens of killings, including the slaying of a U.S. consulate worker, authorities announced Sunday.

Arturo Gallegos Castrellon, 32, was arrested Saturday in the border city of Ciudad Juarez, which is considered the most violent city in Mexico.

Gallegos is suspected in last January's killing of 15 youths at a party, a massacre that shocked even the violence-hardened people of Ciudad Juarez, and in the March murder of a U.S. consulate employee in that city, regional security chief Luis Cardenas Palomino said.

The alleged gang leader is also accused of killing five federal agents in unrelated attacks.

Gallegos is purported to be one of the leaders of the Aztecas gang that operates both in Ciudad Juarez and across the border in El Paso, Texas

The Aztecs work as hired assassins for the Juarez cartel, which is fighting its rival, the Sinaloa cartel, for



Mexican federal police stand next to Arturo Gallegos Castrellon, 32, the alleged leader of the Aztecas cross-border drug gang suspected in dozens of killings, as he is shown to the press at the federal police headquarters in Mexico City, Sunday Nov. 28, 2010. Gallegos is suspected in last January's killing of 15 youths at a party, a massacre that shocked even the violence-hardened people of Ciudad Juarez, and in the March murder of a U.S. consulate employee in that city, regional security chief Luis Cardenas Palomino said.

**Associated Press** 

control of Ciudad Juarez and lucrative border routes for smuggling drugs into the United States, Mexican authorities say.

the gang were arrested one of them armored.

with Gallegos on charges of transporting drugs and weapons.

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council representing the country's estimated 200,000 Jews, Graumann has also repeatedly criticized Germany for its extensive business ties with Iran, calling them "despicable" and "a disgrace." Chancellor Angela Merkel, foreign minister Guido Westerwelle and parliament speaker Norbert Lammert welcomed Graumann's election. Lammert said it marked the beginning of a new era, adding he expected Graumann not to gloss over the past but also to show "the many aspects of contemporary Jewish life in Germany."

Graumann succeeds 78-yearold Charlotte Knobloch, who witnessed the Nazi destruction of the Munich synagogue during the Kristallnacht 1938 and survived Nazi Germany by

hiding with a German family. Knobloch did not seek a new term as the organization's president.

Graumann, who has been the organization's vice president since 2006, studied economics and law in Germany and Britain, and worked for Germany's central bank before going into the real estate business.

Graumann's election coincided with German President Christian Wulff's first official visit to Israel.

Wulff, 51, is the first German president to be born after World War II. Visiting the Yad Vashem memorial in Jerusalem, he said the "inconceivable crimes" of the Holocaust require all Germans to act forever on behalf of Israel.



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## Arubu TODAY ajor candidates call for halt to Haiti electi

BEN FOX, JONATHAN M. **KATZ** 

#### **Associated Press**

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Nearly all the major candidates in Haiti's presidential election called for Sunday's election to be voided amid allegations of fraud and reports that large numbers of voters were turned away from polling stations across the quake-stricken country.

Twelve of the 19 candidates endorsed a joint statement denouncing the voting as fraudulent and calling on their supporters to show their anger with demonstrations against the government and the country's Provisional Electoral Council, known as the CEP.

The statement included all of the major contenders but one: Jude Celestin, who is backed by the Unity party of President Rene Preval.

"It is clear that Preval and the CEP were not prepared for elections," said candidate Anne Marie Josette Bijou, who read the statement to a cheering crowd that sang the national anthem and chanted "Arrest Preval!"

The CEP had earlier acknowledged problems with the voter lists but said immediately after the candidates' news conference the election would that continue.

Even so, the united front of so many candidates could cast doubt on the legitimacy of the election, the first since a January earthquake destroyed much of the capital, leaving more than a million people still stranded in crowded tent encampments.

The call for protests could also spark violence, especially with tensions already high following a series of deadly clashes earlier this month between U.N. peacekeepers demonstrators suspected them of bringing a rapidly spreading cholera outbreak.

Thousands of people surged onto the streets of Port-au-Prince and Cap-Haitien, the second-largest city, after polls closed. People danced in the streets, carrying posters of their candidates and chanting



Supporters surround the car where Haiti's presidential candidate Michel Martelly, center, accompanied by fellow musician Wyclef Jean, top left, drive around Port-au-Prince, to demonstrate against the general elections in Haiti, Sunday, Nov. 28, 2010.

**Associated Press** 

their names. Most of the people in both cities seemed to be celebrating presidentialcandidated-turned-musician "Sweet Michel Micky" Martelly.

Police fired tear gas to disperse demonstrators near an electoral office in the Delmas section of the capital but there were no immediate reports of major violence.

Lawyer Jean-Henry Ceant, running for president on "Love Haiti" ticket, dismissed the notion that the calls for protests could result in bloodshed. "The only one responsible for the violence is President Rene Preval," he

The Haitian government had no immediate response to the criticism.

Wyclef Jean, the Haitian-American singer whose own bid for president ended with an August disqualification, joined a convoy led by two candidates — Martelly and factory owner Charles Henri-Baker — to CEP headquarters, where they hoped to meet with officials. U.N. peacekeepers and police deployed extra forces and barricades ahead of the march.

Representatives ofthe major international donors, including the ambassadors of the U.S., Canada, France and the European Union, met after the candidates declaration to discuss the situation, said

Organization of American States Assistant Secretary-General Albert Ramdin, who is in Haiti to monitor the elections.

"We are all concerned about the possibility of violence because we don't want to see people lose live in a process that should be democratic," Ramdin said.

An OAS report on the elections would not be released for several weeks, he said.

Bijou told The Associated Press that she had photos and "documentary evidence" of election fraud but walked away when asked for further details.

Voters throughout the country showed up at polling stations only to find them closed hours after their scheduled opening, or to be turned away because their names were not on lists. At one station, even Celestin was turned away.

There were also sporadic reports of violence and intimidation, as well as a ballot box being stolen and its contents strewn about in the capital's Cite Soleil slum.

It was not yet clear whether the problems were the result of orchestrated fraud or merely disorganization made worse by the Jan. 12 earthquake.

Voters and candidates said Preval, who was barred from running for re-election, was trying to sway the vote in favor of Celestin.

"Preval did this on purpose because they know we want to vote for Martelly," said Fanes Francky, a voter turned away from his voting station in the Delmas section of the capital. Voter rolls were filled with the dead, and many living citizens were struggling to figure out if and where they could vote.

Observers from dozens of parties crowded voting areas and furious voters were turned away from stations where poll workers could not find their names on lists.

"I don't know if I'm going to come back later. If I come back later it might not be safe. That's why people vote early," said Ricardo Magloire, a Cap Haitien radio journalist whose polling station at a Catholic school was still not taking ballots after people had waited more than an hour.

At another voting place in the St. Philomene neighborhood, a woman complained that young men were taking advantage of the chaos to vote multiple times. The allegation could not be confirmed because a crowd of one candidate's supporters swarmed around two AP journalists and forced them to leave the area, threatening a photographer.

One man was shot to death at a polling place in rural Artibonite, Radio Vision 2000 reported, though no details were available.

Ninety-six contenders were

competing for 11 Senate seats and more than 800 more were seeking to fill the 99-seat lower house.

But the focus is on the presidential contest. Nineteen candidates were on the ballot, though many Haitians believed the race came down to a man who was not: Preval. The laconic leader twice sailed into office bolstered by supporters of his former ally, ousted former President Jean-Bertrand Aristide. But in Preval's second term, those voters branded him a traitor for not returning Aristide from exile.

Frustrations also grew among the jobless masses as Haiti's economy continued to be one of the world's worst. When the earthquake struck on Jan. 12 and a stunned Preval hid from sight, impatience turned to anger that has fueled antigovernment protests.

As his replacement, Preval backed Celestin, the littleknown head of the state-run construction company whose dump trucks carted many of the quake's estimated 300,000 dead to mass graves. His wellfunded campaign included airplanes trailing banners with his name and dropping leaflets that flutter like yellow-andgreen birds over tent camps for people made homeless by the quake.

A text message sent to Haitian cell phones Saturday summed up the primary message of Celestin's campaign: "Let's assure stability." His campaign workers already refer to him as "The President."

Some opinion polls put Mirlande Manigat, 70-yearold former first lady whose husband was helped to power and then deposed by a military junta, as a more popular contender.

Martelly, known for jazzy, sarcastic dance music, had thousands of urban youths toting his pink signs and shouting to "Vote for the bald head!"

Some Aristide supporters were expected to back Ceant. Aristide's Fanmi Lavalas party was disqualified on an unexplained technicality, sparking threats of a boycott by supporters.

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## **Swiss voters approve** foreigner deportation plan

**Associated Press** 

GENEVA (AP) — Swiss voters on Sunday approved a plan to automatically deport foreigners who commit serious crimes or benefit fraud, in a significant victory for the nationalist party that pushed the proposal against the will of the government.

Some 52.9 percent of voters backed the proposal put forward by the nationalist Swiss People's Party, or SVP, according to Swiss national broadcaster SF1. The plan was opposed by 47.1 percent of voters.

government-backed counterproposal failed. It would have required case-bycase review by a judge before an individual is deported.

"I'm totally for it," said Emma Link after casting her vote in Geneva. The 86-year-old blamed foreigners for what

she said was rising crime in Switzerland, adding that she had recently been robbed on her way home from a nearby store. The SVP plan drew fire before Sunday's referendum from legal experts who said it could breach offenders' human rights. Marcelo Kohen, a professor of international law at the Graduate Institute in Geneva, said people who had lived all their life in Switzerland, married Swiss citizens and had children, but never obtained Swiss passports, would be unusually hard hit by expulsion.

Under Switzerland's unique political system, any group wanting to change the law can collect 100,000 signatures to force a referendum. Last year the country drew international condemnation defied voters government recommendation and approved a law to ban the

The government will now have to draft a law requiring automatic expulsion foreigners found guilty of crimes such as murder, rape, drug dealing or benefit fraud. Kohen predicted the law would be challenged before the European Court of Human Rights.

Likewise, the European Union — with which Switzerland has signed a bilateral treaty guaranteeing freedom movement — would probably object to its citizens being automatically deported without the chance of judicial review, he said.

During the run-up to the vote, anti-racism groups bemoaned that the SVP's posters showed white sheep kicking black sheep off a Swiss flag, saying it played on stereotypical images of foreigners as criminals.



A poster at the train station in Zurich, Switzerland, Nov 18, 2010 shows a man who's face is covered with the words 'Ivan S, rapist and soon to be Swiss?' It is part of a campaign in favor of deporting criminal foreigners from Switzerland. Swiss voters go to the polls Sunday, Nov. 28, 2010 to decide whether foreigners who commit serious crimes in their country should be automatically deported.

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Virginie Studemann voted against the plan. "I think it's sad for our country," she said outside a polling station in the center of Geneva. "It's part of a concerted attack against foreigners."

Also Sunday, voters rejected a proposal to revise the country's tax system.

Swiss news agency SDA reported that 58 percent of voters opposed the plan, while 42 percent backed the proposal by the Social Democrat party

to introduce a minimum tax across all Switzerland's 26 cantons, or states.

Polling group gfs.bern said earlier this month that initial enthusiasm for the plan evaporated after heavy campaigning by business groups, who warned it could harm the Swiss economy.

Several prominent billionaires also spoke out against the proposal and threatened to move abroad if it was accepted.





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#### Aruba—TODAY

## Okinawa vote a test of U.S.-Japan military alliance



Okinawa Gov. Hirokazu Nakaima, center, shouts "banzai" with his supporters at his campaign headquarters in Naha, Okinawa, Japan, as he looked certain to win the gubernatorial race, several broadcasters said Sunday night, Nov. 28, 2010.

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#### **SHINO YUASA Associated Press**

TOKYO (AP)—Okinawa's incumbent governor, who campaigned for the removal of an unpopular U.S. Marine base from the Japanese island, appeared headed for re-election Sunday, in a likely test of the U.S.-Japan security alliance.

Hirokazu Nakaima, 71, looked certain to win the gubernatorial election, public broadcaster NHK said late Sunday. Official results were expected Monday.

The relocation of Marine Corps Air Station Futenma was among the key issues in the campaign. The base has been on Okinawa island agreement since 1945, and residents relocation have long complained it produces aircraft noise and crime. Okinawa.

A 2006 deal between the U.S. and Japan to move the Futenma base to a less crowded part of Okinawa has stalled because of public opposition. The controversy even toppled a prime minister, Yukio Hatoyama, earlier this year. Nakaima once backed the relocation plan but now opposes it and wants to move the base off Okinawa. challenger, Yoichi 58, former mayor of Ginowan city, where Futenma is located, wants the base moved out of Japan entirely.

Nakaima's victory could hamper Prime Minister Naoto Kan's efforts to press ahead with the 2006 agreement because the relocation of Futenma will need the governor's approval.

Okinawa, home to about half of the some 50,000 U.S. troops stationed in Japan, is a strategically important island close to Taiwan and the Chinese mainland and not far from the Korean peninsula.

Kanhassaidthe U.S. military presence in Okinawa is a crucial deterrent for regional security threats, an argument perhaps driven home by North Korea's artillery strike on a South Korean island on Tuesday as well as worries over China's growing military power.

A half-century security alliance allows the U.S. to station military forces in Japan, while guaranteeing the U.S. will defend Japan from any attack. But local opposition to the troops' presence is vocal.

The base controversy is growing into a major thorn in the U.S.-Japan alliance. Both Kan and Hatoyama are from the Democratic Party, which promised a foreign policy less beholden to the United States before its election last year. The largely untested party trounced the long-ruling Liberal Democrats, which had smoothly engineered the alliance with the U.S. and rarely questioned what Washington wanted.

The relocation of Futenma is part of a bigger plan to move more than 8,000 U.S. Marines off Okinawa to the U.S. Pacific island of Guam. But this plan assumes that a still unbuilt base in another part of Okinawa will be completed.

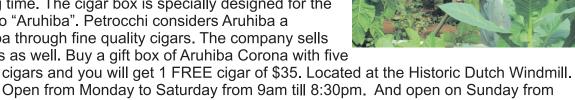
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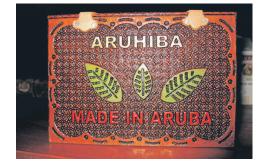


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Broncos kicker Kyle Brotzman walks back to the sidelines after missing a field goal in overtime against Nevada during the NCAA college football game Friday night, Nov. 26, 2010, in Reno, Nev. Nevada won the game 34-31.(

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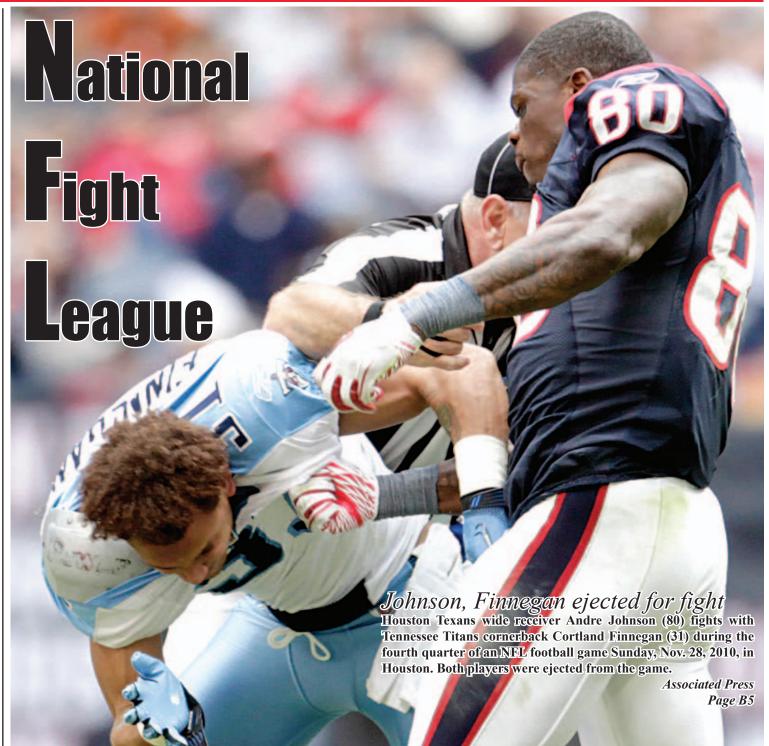
#### Stanford, Wisconsin, Oklahoma are big BCS winners

By RALPH D. RUSSO

**AP College Football Writer** 

NEW YORK – Stanford was the big winner in the latest BCS standings. The Cardinal, along with Wisconsin, all but locked up bids to the Bowl Championship Series, and Oklahoma earned a spot in the Big 12 title game by outpointing Oklahoma State and Texas A&M on Sunday.

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## Karlsson wins Dubai World Championship in playoff

MICHAEL CASEY

**AP Sports Writer** 

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — Sweden's Robert Karlsson won the Dubai World Championship Sunday, beating third-round leader Ian Poulter in a two-way playoff after a bizarre blunder by the Englishman on the final hole.

Karlsson calmly rolled in a birdie putt on the second playoff hole after Poulter had been given a one-stroke penalty for dropping his ball on his marker on the green, causing it to flip over and move from its original position. "The coin was one way and the next minute

facing the other way," Poulter said. "It's pitched right on the front and flipped over. If it pitches in the middle, the coin doesn't move and it's fine.

But it's pitched on the front and it's flipped over."

Poulter spotted his error and reported it to the match referee, whose ruling left him with a long putt for par instead of a birdie. The putt came up a foot short, taking all the pressure off the Swede as he then had two shots to clinch the victory in the season-ending \$7.5 million tournament.

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Robert Karlsson of Sweden, right, celebrates after he beats Ian Poulter of England during the final round of the Dubai world championship, Sunday, Nov. 28, 2010. Sweden's Robert Karlsson won the Dubai World Championship Sunday, defeating thirdround leader Ian Poulter in a two-way playoff after a bizarre marking blunder by the Englishman on the final hole.

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Germany's Martin Kaymer holds the trophy winning the European Tour money title at the season-ending Dubai World Championship in Dubai, Sunday, Nov. 28, 2010.

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The 41-year-old Karlsson needed just one shot to secure his second European Tour victory this year and the 11th tour victory of his career. The former European top-ranked said this was one of the biggest victories of his long career and one of the most lucrative. He earned \$1.25 million with the win.

"This must be the highest one I would think if you just look on the quality of the field that's been here, world No. 1, world No. 3 or 4 or whatever it is," he said. "It's a fantastic field, and obviously when we have all of the best players in Europe together, the way it

great field so to win here is fantastic."

aware of the penalty before Poulter putted, admitted he would have rather not won by default.

"These things happen in tough."

The winning putt was

He rolled that in to close with a 5-under 67 and a

looks now, it's going to be a

Karlsson, who was made

golf. It's not the way you want to win," he said. "The rules are there for a reason but some of them can be

Karlsson's third straight birdie on the 18th green, having caught up to Poulter on his last hole in regulation when his approach shot landed within a few feet of the pin.

14-under total of 274.

Poulter then had a birdie putt for the victory at the 18th but missed it just wide to force the playoff, where both players birdied the first hole.

"I felt I hit a very good putt," he said of the near-miss at the 18th. "Six inches short of the hole, I would have probably put my house on it, but it slows down and takes a little bit of grain and misses. Obviously a little disappointed, and it was a shame it's just ended the way it has. Robert has hit a good third shot, and you know what, he stepped up and holed the putts. So every credit."

Karlsson led after the first round but followed it up with a 75 on Friday to seemingly fall out of contention. He recovered with consecutive rounds of 67, and started Sunday with consecutive birdies. His second shot on the par-4 third then landed on the green and rolled in for an eagle.

He had two more birdies on the back nine before a



Jersey Nets' Devin Harris, left, puts up a shot as Portland Trail Blazers' LaMarcus Aldridge defends during the first quarter of an NBA basketball game Sunday, Nov. 28, 2010 in Newark, N.J. Harris led the Nets with 25 points as they beat the Trail Blazers 98-96.

**Associated Press** 

NEWARK, N.J. - Devin Harris had 25 points, including a clutch 3-pointer with 1:11 left, and eight assists to lead the New Jersey Nets to a 98-96 win over the Portland Trail Blazers on Sunday night.

The win snapped a two-game losing streak for the Nets (6-

lovely approach shot almost hit the pin on the 18th, spun back and landed within a few feet of the hole.

The No. 1-ranked Lee Westwood came up a shot short and finished in a tie for third with Spain's Alvaro Quiros after his approach shot to the 18th green landed in the water and he had to scramble to save par. Quiros missed an eagle putt on the 18th that would have pulled him into the lead while Northern Ireland's Rory McIlroy shot an eagle on the 18th to pull within two shots of the lead. He finished in fifth.

Germany's Martin Kaymer finished in disappointing tie for 13th but still beat out Northern Ireland's Graeme McDowell for the European money title after tying him at 6 under for the tournament.

Poulter came into the final round seemingly in control, with a two-shot lead over Thailand's Thongchai Jaidee fellow and Englishman Ross Fisher. He also had momentum on

his side after winning last week's Hong Kong Open.

He struggled on the first nine with a bogey and only one birdie but settled down on the back nine as the 34-year-old has done all week with consecutive birdies and two pressure par putts on the 16th and 17th holes. But with the title on the line, he couldn't sink a birdie putt on the 18th and then fell apart in the playoff. Despite his disappointing finish, Poulter said the tournament provided a fitting end to the season with some of the best in Europe all in the mix almost until the end.

"It was good. Looking at the board all the way around, Robert got off to an incredible start, birdie, birdie, eagle. Westy made a late charge. It was good fun the whole way around," Poulter said. "I felt good, hit lots of good golf shots. I made a couple of key up and downs at the right time. But, you know what, you're left walking away disappointed."

## **Harris scores 25 to lead Nets over Blazers 98-96**

11), who handed the Trail Blazers (8-8) their third straight

The two teams traded the lead five times during the fourth quarter, before Harris nailed the long jumper from beyond the top of the key. Portland turned the ball over on its next possession.

Brandon Morrow scored 14 points and Brook Lopez added 13 for the Nets.

Reserve Wesley Matthews scored 25 points, Brandon Roy had 21 and LaMarcus Aldridge added 20 for the Blazers.

The Nets shot 52.5 percent from the floor, 50 percent from 3-point range and 82.9 percent from the free throw line. They made 29 of 35 free throws, including all eight in the closing minute.

Roy scored seven of his 15 first half points in the final six minutes before intermission, including a fall-away jumper at the buzzer that gave Portland a 52-44 halftime advantage.

The Blazers then scored seven

straight points in the opening stages of the third quarter, with Aldridge nailing two long jumpers, giving Portland its biggest lead at 62-50 with 8:48 left.

The Nets scored the next eight points, six coming from the free throw line, to pull within four at 62-58 with 6:26 left on a corner jumper from Lopez.

Harris nailed a 27-foot jumper that tied the game again at 64 with 4:24 left in the third.

Miller then took control for the Blazers, scoring six of his team's next eight points to give the Blazers a 74-69 lead. Marcus Camby had a putback as the third quarter ended to put Portland ahead 78-73.

The Nets scored the first seven points of the fourth quarter, capped by Harris' two free throws, to take an 80-78 lead with 10:14 remaining. The two teams then traded the lead back and forth before Harris' late 3-pointer gave the Nets the lead for good.



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#### **BCS**

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Auburn and Oregon also switched places at the top of the standings, with the Tigers slipping by the Ducks into first place but that hardly matters.

Both are still on track to play for the national championship on Jan. 10 in Glendale, Ariz. Auburn needs to beat South Carolina in the Southeastern Conference championship game on Saturday to lock up its spot and Oregon needs a victory at Oregon State in the Civil War rivalry.

only difference between one and two in the BCS is No. 1 gets to wear its home jerseys.

TCU is third and in position to grab an automatic bid possibly to the Rose Bowl — now that Boise State is no threat to swipe it from the Horned Frogs. The Broncos lost to Nevada 34-31 in overtime on Friday night.

TCU is also on-deck for a spot in the national championship game if one of the top two teams trip up. But Stanford made the most important jump of all this

week, taking the fourth spot after completing its season 11-1 with a 38-0 victory against Oregon State. BCS rules ensure the top four teams in the final standings a bid to the five big-money games.

Stanford was in danger of getting left out altogether because its fans generally don't flock to long distance bowl sites. As long as the Cardinal don't fall when the final standings are released next week — and there's no good reason why they would — one of the bowls will be forced to take them. The BCS standings also broke the Big Ten's threeway tie at the top in favor of Wisconsin, which is fifth in the standings, a spot ahead of Ohio State.

Unless some strange voting takes place in the Harris and coaches' polls after Championship Saturday, the Badgers are headed to the Rose Bowl.

The Buckeyes are a good bet to land an at-large bid, but the Big Ten's other tri-champion, Michigan State, will have to settle for a second-tier game. The Spartans were eighth in the



Stanford quarterback Andrew Luck, center, celebrates after defeating Oregon State 38-0 in an NCAA college football game in Stanford, Calif., Saturday, Nov. 27, 2010.

Associated Press

BCS standings.

Oklahoma. Oklahoma State and Texas A&M finished tied at 6-2 in the Big 12 South, but the BCS tiebreaker went the Sooners' way. Oklahoma was ninth in the standings, Oklahoma State was 14th and Texas A&M was 18th. The Sooners beat Oklahoma State 47-41 on Saturday night to make the jump up the standings.

The Sooners will play

Nebraska in the conference championship game and the winner lands a Fiesta Bowl

Virginia Tech and Florida State will play in the Atlantic Coast Conference championship, with the winner getting an Orange Bowl bid.

of the Big East race. The Huskies will clinch the league and a BCS bid by winning at South Florida on

Saturday. If UConn losses, West Virginia could win the league and the BCS bid by beating Rutgers.

Arkansas was seventh in the standings and the Razorbacks seem to be in good shape to receive their first BCS bid after beating LSU 31-23 on Saturday.

Connecticut is in command If Auburn goes to the title national game, Arkansas is a good candidate to be selected by the Sugar Bowl



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## **Boise State drops 6 spots to No. 9**



Boise State head coach Chris Petersen looks at the scoreboard in the second half against Nevada at Mackay Stadium in Reno, NV on Friday night Nov. 26, 2010.

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#### By RALPH D. RUSSO **AP College Football Writer**

NEW YORK (AP)—Boise State said goodbye to its topfive ranking for the first time this season.

The Broncos dropped six spots to No. 9 in The Associated Press college football poll Sunday after having its 24game winning streak snapped. For the third straight week, No. 1 Oregon and Auburn held the top two spots in the rankings. No. 3 TCU moved up one spot.

The gap between the Ducks and Tigers shrank to 29 points. The Ducks received 36 first-

place votes and 1,475 points, while Auburn got 23 and 1,456 from the media panel. TCU also received a firstplace vote.

Wisconsin was fourth, followed by Stanford, Ohio State, Michigan State and Arkansas. Oklahoma moved up four spots to No. 10 after beating Oklahoma State 47-

Boise State had been ranked no lower than fourth this season, but after an excruciating 34-31 overtime loss to Nevada, the Broncos tumbled out of the national championship

Boise State blew a 24-7 halftime lead, then had a chance to win in regulation before kicker Kyle Brotzman missed a 26-yard field goal with 2 seconds left. Brotzman missed a 29-yarder in overtime and Nevada won it with a field goal of its own.

The Wolf Pack moved up five places to No. 14. Nevada has only been ranked in one other season previously.

The Wolf Pack reached No. 10 in 1948.

Moving into the rankings were No. 23 West Virginia—in for the third time this season along with No. 24 Northern Illinois and No. 25 Hawaii.

The Huskies were last ranked in November 2003, and are the first Mid-American Conference team in the poll this season. Hawaii was last ranked in the final poll of the 2007 season.

The Warriors, Wolf Pack and Broncos give the Western Athletic Conference three ranked teams for the first time since the final poll of 1994. BYU, Colorado State and Utah finished that season ranked, and all are now members of the Mountain

Boise State is leaving the WAC for the MWC after this season, and Nevada is joining the MWC in 2012. Hawaii is also considering a jump to the Mountain West.

West Virginia gives the Big East a ranked team for the first time in a month.

Falling out after loses this week were North Carolina State, Arizona and Iowa. The Hawkeyes haven't been unranked since September 2009.

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#### NFL Roundup

## Texans' Johnson, Titans' Finnegan brawl in Texans' 20-0 win

HOUSTON (AP)—Andre Johnson finally had enough from Cortland Finnegan, sparking a fistfight that led to both players being ejected and could end up in further discipline from the NFL.

The Texans snapped a fourgame losing streak while Johnson and Finnegan were ejected for their fight in the fourth quarter of a 20-0 Houston win over Tennessee on Sunday.

Arian Foster rushed for 143 yards and caught nine passes for the Texans (5-6), who posted their first shutout since

Midway through the fourth quarter, Finnegan set it off by pushing up Johnson's face mask at the line of scrimmage. Johnson ripped off Finnegan's helmet and landed at least two punches to Finnegan's head and neck. Finnegan tore off Johnson's helmet before players and referees intervened.

The game was halted for more than five minutes as officials sorted out the chaos. Johnson received a standing ovation as security guards escorted him off the field. Finnegan taunted booing fans as he exited out the opposite tunnel.

The incident came at the end of a tumultuous week for the Titans (5-6), who've lost four in a row.

Houston cornerback Glover Quin set a franchise record with three interceptions off Titans rookie quarterback Rusty Smith, who struggled in his first career start in replacing the injured Vince Young.

Titans offensive coordinator Mike Heimerdinger was on the sideline calling plays after he was diagnosed with cancer this week. He's due to start chemotherapy Monday.

#### Steelers 19, Bills 16 OT

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. (AP)—Shaun Suisham( kicked a 41-yard field goal with 2:14 left in overtime to lift the Steelers.

Buffalo (2-9) blew an opportunity to win it with 10:30 left in overtime. Wide receiver Stevie Johnson got in

behind the Steelers secondary but dropped a 40-yard pass on the run, while he was 2 yards into the end zone.

The Bills overcame a 13-point first-half deficit and forced overtime with 2 seconds left in regulation when Rian Lindell hit a 49-yard field goal.

Rashard Mendenhall had 151 yards rushing and scored a 1-yard touchdown, while Suisham hit all four fieldattempts, including goal a 48-yarder in a game the Steelers (8-3) never trailed. The decisive field goal capped a 13-play, 58-yard drive in a game both teams had chances to win.

#### Falcons 20, Packers 17

ATLANTA (AP)—Matt Bryant kicked a 47-yard field goal with 9 seconds remaining to give the NFC-leading Falcons their fifth straight win.

The Falcons (9-2) have their longest winning streak since 1998 and assured themselves of a third straight winning season. Of course, they have much higher aspirations sitting atop the conference standings with five weeks to go.

Aaron Rodgers guided Green Bay (7-4) on a 90-yard drive to tie the game with 56 seconds remaining. He converted a pair of fourthdown passes, including a 10yard touchdown pass to Jordy Nelson that made it 17-all.

But Eric Weems broke loose on the kickoff return and was dragged down by Matt Wilhelm with a flagrant facemask tackle. The Falcons took over at the Green Bay 49, Matt Ryan completed four straight short passes and Bryant made the winning kick.

Vikings 17, Redskins 13

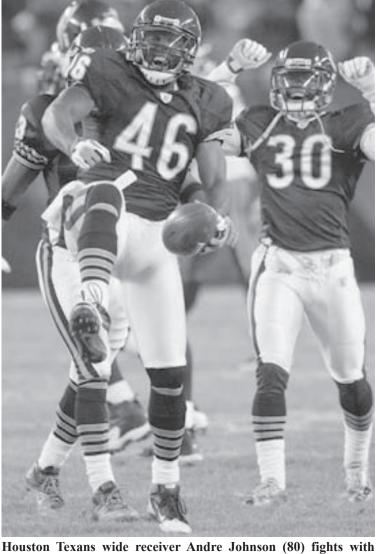
LANDOVER, Md. (AP)— Brett Favre was perfect on two scoring drives, and Minnesota won Leslie Frazier's NFL head coaching debut despite Adrian Peterson's early injury. Favre went 3 for 3 on the Vikings' opening possession, which ended with Peterson's 5-yard touchdown run. The 41-year-old quarterback was 5 for 5 on the first drive of the second half, capped by a 5-yard TD from rookie Toby Gerhart, who took over after Peterson left in the second quarter with a bad right ankle. Favre scrambled for a first down on third-and-8 right before the two-minute warning, then hugged several teammates. Minnesota (4-7) ended its nine-game road losing streak, less than a week after firing coach Brad Childress and promoting Frazier.

Washington is 5-6.

#### Giants 24, Jaguars 20

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP)—Eli Manning threw a 32-yard touchdown pass to Kevin Boss with 3:15 to play and the Giants rallied to snap a two-game losing streak and end the Jaguars' three-game winning streak.

Manning also threw a 26-yard touchdown pass to Mario Manningham, Lawrence Tynes kicked three field goals



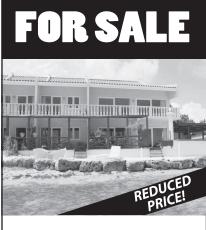
Tennessee Titans cornerback Cortland Finnegan (31) during the fourth quarter of an NFL football game Sunday, Nov. 28, 2010, in Houston. Both players were ejected from the game.

and the defense came up with three consecutive sacks and a eight games. late turnover with 1:25 to go an 11-point halftime deficit.

David Garrard and Rashad Jennings ran for touchdowns and Josh Scobee kicked two field goal as the Jaguars (6-5)

lost for only the third time in

CLEVELAND (AP)—John as the Giants (7-4) rallied from Kasay missed a 42-yard field goal that grazed the left upright as time expired, allowing the Browns to escape and give ex-Panthers quarterback Jake Delhomme a little satisfaction.



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## Byfuglien, Paveleclead streaking Thrashers

**Atlanta Thrashers defensemen** Byfuglien Dustin celebrates his goal with teammates as Boston Bruins forward Blake Wheeler (26) skates nearby during the first period of an NHL hockey game Sunday, Nov. 28, 2010, in Atlanta. The Thrashers went on to win 4-1.

**Associated Press** 

**ATLANTA** (AP) Defenseman Dustin Byfuglien had a goal and three assists, and Ondrej Pavelec made 40 saves to help the Atlanta Thrashers win their fifth straight game, 4-1 over the Boston Bruins on Sunday.

NHL Roundup Pavelec had 16 saves in the second period. During the winning streak, he has stopped 201 of 207 shots.

Atlanta, which has outscored opponents 19-3 over its last five, led 3-0 by

period on goals by Evander Kane, Byfuglien and Jim Slater.

Blake Wheeler's wrister 12:22 into the second cut it to 3-1, but Niclas Bergfors scored on a power play by redirecting Byfuglien's slap shot with 13 seconds left in the period.

The Bruins, who had a 10game winning streak against Atlanta, have dropped two straight overall and are winless in four of their last

#### Capitals 3, Hurricanes 2,

At Washington, Semyon Varlamov made 26 saves and stopped all three Carolina attempts in the shootout, Ovechkin Alex converted a shootout goal to lift Washington.

the 14:42 mark of the first overtime with 3 seconds left in regulation, scoring his 11th goal of the season, and also had an assist on Erik Cole's goal in the second period. Alexander Semin and Marcus Johansson scored first-period goals for the Capitals.

#### Red Wings 4, Blue Jackets

At Detroit, **Niklas** Kronwall, Darren Helm, Valtteri Filppula and Danny Cleary scored, and Jimmy Howard made 27 saves as Detroit swept a weekend series against Columbus.

Johan Franzen added two assists for the Red Wings, who beat the Blue Jackets 2-1 on Friday night in Columbus.

Derick Brassard Antoine Vermette scored, and Steve Mason stopped Carolina's Eric Staal forced 38 shots for Columbus.









## Roger Federer beats Nadal in final of ATP finals

#### CHRIS LEHOURITES AP Sports Writer

LONDON (AP) — Roger Federer gave Rafael Nadal little chance to mount a challenge in the 22nd meeting between two of the greatest players of all time, winning his fifth seasonending title 6-3, 3-6, 6-1 Sunday.

Federer won an incredible 92 percent of the points played on his first serve in the final of the ATP World Tour Finals, and lost only 13 points on serve in the entire match.

"I was able to stay offensive. Rallies were never that long," said Federer, who has won the season-ending tournament in Houston, Shanghai and now London. "I think that kind of maybe frustrated him."

Nadal, the top-ranked Spaniard who won the French Open, Wimbledon and the U.S. Open this year, was able to break Federer once in the second set, but he appeared to tire as the match wore on. On Saturday, Nadal spent more then three hours and three sets beating Andy Murray to reach the final of the tournament for the first time in his career.

The win cut Nadal's career record to 14-8 against the second-ranked Swiss. In Grand Slam finals, Nadal is 5-2 against Federer, but Federer has now beaten Nadal all three times they have faced each other in the final tournament of the

season.

"Today was another great match, I thought, with some fantastic rallies," Federer said. "I know it doesn't take anything away from his great season, because it was magnificent. For me, obviously this was a huge tournament.

Winning the last one against top-10 players is extra special."

In the first set Sunday at the O2 Arena, Federer lost only three points on his serve, and broke Nadal once. He then lost five points on serve in both the second and third sets, but four of them came in one game, giving Nadal his only break of the match. "I don't want to say I gave it to him, but obviously Rafa is good enough off second serves he's going to win at least 50 percent off them usually unless you're on a roll and he doesn't kind of figure out your second serve," Federer said. "But at that point, he was into the match. He knew the importance of it. He was able to find a way to break me in that game."

The decisive shift came early in the third set on Nadal's serve with the Spaniard trailing 2-1. He took a 40-15 when Federer sent a return long, but the Swiss then reeled off the next four points — the last when Nadal sent a forehand wide — to earn the break and essentially end Nadal's chances of winning.

"He played unbelievable,"



Switzerland's Roger Federer celebrates as he holds the trophy after beating Spain's Rafael Nadal, left, to win the singles final tennis match at the ATP World Tour Finals at the O2 Arena in London, Sunday, Nov. 28, 2010.

**Associated Press** 

Nadal said. "I think in the beginning, (he) was unplayable, I think, (in) this first set."

On match point, Federer hit a forehand winner on the line, but the crowd apparently thought the ball was out as they sat quiet in the arena. Then Nadal started coming to the net to shake hands with Federer, and the Swiss raised his arms in victory to set off a standing ovation.

Despite the draining match against Murray on Saturday, Nadal refused to make excuses for Sunday's loss.

"The thing is everybody saw the match of yesterday, so everybody's free to think his own opinion," Nadal said.

"But I'm not going to say I lost the match because I was tired. What I'm going to say and what I feel is I lost the match because I played against a very good Roger Federer in one of his favorite surfaces. And when he's playing like this, is very difficult to stop him, no?"

Federer has won a record 16 Grand Slam titles, the last coming at this year's Australian Open, and he and Nadal have combined to win 21 of the past 23 majors. But after ending his semifinal streak at major championships at Roland Garros and then faltering at the last two Grand Slam tournaments, Federer has played some of his best tennis of the year this week in London.

He won all three of his round-robin matches in straight sets, and then swept Novak Djokovic on Saturday to reach the final. "I tried my best this

"I tried my best this afternoon," Nadal said, "but he was better than me."



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#### Aruba—TODAY

# Marquez ready for Round 3 with Pacquiao

DAVE SKRETTA AP Sports Writer

Juan Manuel Marquez didn't waste any time after defending his lightweight title before setting his sights on Round 3 with Manny Pacquiao.

Marquez stopped Michael Katsidis in the ninth round Saturday night at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas, winning an all-action battle and certain candidate for Fight of the Year. Moments later, he turned his attention to settling the score with the man considered the best in the world.

"Obviously, Pacquiao is my priority. I'll go up to 140 (pounds), it's no problem," Marquez said through a translator. "Stop making excuses, Manny. Fight me." The two have met twice before, and both of the bouts were thrilling. They fought to a 12-round draw in 2004, and Pacquiao won a close split decision in March 2008.

Pacquiao promoter Bob Arum said in a phone interview with The Associated Press on Sunday that a third fight with Marquez is a distinct possibility, although just like everyone else, he's waiting to see whether Floyd Mayweather Jr. steps into the ring against Pacquiao in what could be the richest fight in boxing history.

Other candidates include Shane Mosley, who has already put financial numbers on the table for a fight, and welterweight titleholder Andre



Juan Manuel Marquez, leftm of Mexico, and Michael Katsidis, of Australia, trade punches during the second round of their WBA and WBO championship boxing match Saturday, Nov. 27, 2010 in Las Vegas.

Associated Press

Berto, who looked sensational in a first-round knockout of Freddy Hernandez on the Marquez undercard Saturday night.

"Mayweather is the priority, but if he doesn't want the fight for whatever reason, then there are three possibilities: Mosley, Berto and Marquez," Arum said. "All I need is two numbers at this stage to go to Pacquiao on: what guarantee they're looking for and how much per home above a certain number (on the payper-view)."

Arum wouldn't say what he's been offered by Mosley, but Antonio Margarito received \$3 million plus \$3 per home over 700,000 buys for his loss to Pacquiao earlier this month. Marquez received \$4 million plus \$1 per home over a million when he lost to Mayweather last year.

The Top Rank boss plans to discuss a fight with Berto promoter Lou DiBella on Monday, and hopes to touch base with Marquez's people later in the week. Arum's flying to the Philippines on Dec. 12 to celebrate Pacquiao's birthday, and will present the offers then.

"My phone is on," said Richard Schaefer of Golden Boy Promotions, which represents Marquez. "If the Pacquiao vs. Marquez III fight isn't happening, it's not because of Golden Boy."

Whomever is chosen to fight Pacquiao, easily the sport's biggest box office attraction, Arum said the fight will be at 147 pounds and there will be no co-promotion — unless the opponent is Mayweather. Otherwise, Top Rank will handle the entire process.

"If we do a deal with Marquez, and it'd be a money deal,

they can come and represent Marquez at press conferences and that kind of stuff, but they wouldn't have anything to do with the promotion, nor would Lou," Arum said.

"They would in effect be signing the fighter to us, because at this point, Manny doesn't have to do copromotions with anybody."

The weight stipulation might only be an issue for Marquez, who dropped back to the 135-pound lightweight limit and looked stellar his past two fights. He won an easy decision over Juan Diaz in July before out-slugging Katsidis on Saturday night.

The only time Marquez has fought above lightweight, he was soundly beaten by Mayweather.

Pacquiao, meanwhile, has carried his power with him as he's moved up in weight, and his victory over Margarito earned him a title at junior middleweight — extending his own record for championships to eight divisions. Even then, Pacquiao only weighed 144½ pounds, while Margarito tipped the scales at the contractual limit of 150 pounds.

"The weights are ridiculous because it's the day before that you're weighing, and look at Manny before fighting Margarito, he was a much bigger man," Arum said. "So whatever Marquez weighs, he's going to come in close to Manny."

#### Morneau says he'll be ready for spring training

By JON KRAWCZYNSKI

AP Baseball Writer

MINNEAPOLIS – Minnesota Twins slugger Justin Morneau held an autograph signing as part of his winter coat drive on Saturday, and the first fan showed up to get in line at 5:30 a.m., about 5 1/2 hours before the event was scheduled to begin.

Morneau's fans, and especially his teammates, are even more eager to see him back on the field.

The 2006 AL MVP said on Saturday that he is feeling better every day as he recovers from a concussion that caused him to miss the last three months of the season and is sure he will be ready to go once spring training begins in February.

"There's not a doubt in my mind I'll be ready for spring, especially with what I've done this week and how it's reacted and how I've felt," Morneau said. "That's something that hasn't even crossed my mind."

It wasn't always so cut and dried.

Morneau was injured on July 7 while sliding into second base in Toronto. What was initially believed to be a minor injury ended up keeping him out for the remainder of the season and Minnesota's first-round playoff loss to the Yankees.

As the effects of the concussion lingered throughout the summer, there was real concern in the organization and some fans

were worried they may never see his powerful left-handed swing at Target Field again.

But Morneau has started working out hard this week and said that doctors recently put him through another battery of concussion tests.

"It's still improving," Morneau said. "They're encouraging me to workout and do everything you can do there. It's gone well."

Morneau plans to head to his offseason home in Arizona soon to begin strenuous workouts to get his body ready for spring training and, he hopes, a full season. He missed the final month of 2009 because of a back injury and has had to watch the Twins in the postseason for two straight years.

"To have to sit there and watch and feel like you can make a difference, it's very frustrating and very tough," he said.

The Twins sure could have used him. He was hitting .345 with 18 homers and 56 RBIs when he went down and still finished with the fourth-highest home run total on the team despite playing in only 80 games.

Without their big bopper in the cleanup spot, and one of their vocal leaders in the clubhouse, the Twins were swept out of the first round by the Yankees.

Helping matters was that he got to spend more time with his newborn daughter, whose arrival Morneau called "a very good distraction" to keep his mind off his health.

## TECHNOLOGY B9 Monday, November 29, 2010 S. shuts down counterfeit goods, music sites

authorities have shut down dozens of websites offering counterfeit goods and pirated music, five months after a crackdown on sites offering movie downloads.

Cori Bassett, a spokeswoman for the Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency, part of the Department of Homeland Security, said ICE had "executed court ordered seizure warrants against a number of domain names."

The ICE spokeswoman declined to provide further details, citing an "ongoing investigation," but Torrent Freak, a website about the popular BitTorrent filesharing protocol, published a list of more than 70 sites it said had been targeted.

A visitor to the sites Saturday is met with a message reading: "This site has been seized by ICE -- Homeland Security Investigations, pursuant to a seizure warrant issued by a United States District Court." informs visitors that copyright infringement is a federal crime carrying a



Consumers shop online in 2006. US authorities have shut down dozens of websites offering counterfeit goods and pirated music, five months after a crackdown on sites offering movie downloads.

penalty of five years in prison com, and a 250,000-dollar fine, while trafficking in counterfeit goods carries a 10-year sentence and a fine of two million dollars.

The sites targeted included burberryoutletshop. com, cheapscarfshop. dvdcollectionsale.

handbagcom. mydreamwatches. rapgodfathers.com, sunglasses-mall.com, torrentfinder.com and usaoutlets.net. The move comes almost exactly five months after US authorities launched a crackdown on websites offering pirated copies of

The domain names of nine websites offering first-run movies were seized in late June along with bank, Paypal and advertising accounts as part of what US officials dubbed "Operation in Our Sites."

US authorities said at the

time that "Operation In Our Sites" would target not only pirated movies but other items distributed over the Internet such as music, counterfeit pharmaceuticals, software, electronics and games.

The Senate Judiciary Committee approved a bill last week that would give US law enforcement even more tools to crack down on websites abroad engaged in piracy of movies, television shows and music.

Combating Online Infringement and Counterfeits Act, which has the support of the entertainment industry but has been strongly criticized by digital rights and other groups, was approved by a vote of 19-0.

Senator Ron Wyden, a Democrat from Oregon, said that while online copyright infringement is a legitimate concern he planned to block the bill unless it was modified. "It seems almost like using a bunker-busting cluster bomb when what you really need is a precision-guided missile," he said.

## **Computer meltdown leaves Aussies without cash**

SYDNEY - A freak computer just working to resolve the sums glitch at Australia's biggest bank froze cash machines and left millions of people struggling to access their money.

National Australia Bank (NAB) said a corrupted file wiped out a huge number of transactions, including salary payments and transfers, and crashed some ATMs, angering many customers who were facing a weekend without money.

Spokeswoman Meaghan Telford said NAB was opening branches on Saturday and Sunday and bringing in extra callcentre staff as technicians scrambled to fix the problem. "We're very apologetic," she told AFP. "We recognise this has caused people a lot of inconvenience. We're

problem."

Telford said the rogue file knocked out transactions on Wednesday, including salary deposits, bill payments and transfers to other banks, and then work to fix the problem hit Thursday and Friday's business.

As the electronic system buckled, some ATMs had crashed, she said, without revealing how many.

"There's been some issues with the electronic system because of the pressure the system has been under as a result of trying to resolve these issues," she said. "This has meant some ATMs have experienced issues."

Customers using microblogging site Twitter reported chaos with their bank accounts as mystifying

appeared disappeared, leaving many unable to withdraw cash.

Telford said NAB had cleared most of the delayed transactions but could not predict when the system would be back to normal. She did not estimate how many of NAB's 11.5 million customers were affected.

According to national news agency AAP, international banking giant HSBC's transactions to other banks, payroll deposits and direct debits were also affected, as NAB clears payments for HSBC in Australia.

NAB also warned on its website that its Internet banking was slow as millions of customers checked their accounts.

The meltdown comes at a time of growing discontent



Customers are seen using ATM machines from the National Australia Bank (NAB) in central Sydney. A freak computer glitch at Australia's biggest bank on Saturday froze cash machines and left millions of people struggling to access their money.

four" banks over rising interest rates and a swathe of minor fees, with even Prime Minister Julia Gillard urging unhappy customers to switch lenders.

towards Australia's "big Last week 250 investors brought a multi-million dollar lawsuit against NAB claiming it failed to properly disclose its exposure to toxic US debt during the financial crisis.



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## Keys, Lady Gaga to sign off Twitter for charity



FILE - In this May 9, 2010 file photo, U.S. singer Alicia Keys performs on stage at the Festhalle in Frankfurt am Main, Germany.

(AP Photo/Mario Vedder, file)

#### By MESFIN FEKADU, **Associated Press**

Alicia Keys and Lady Gaga take charity work seriously, and they're going offline to prove it.

Gaga, Justin Timberlake, Usher and other celebrities have joined a new campaign called Digital Life Sacrifice on behalf of Keys' charity, Keep a Child Alive. The entertainers plan to sign off of social media platforms like Facebook and Twitter on Wednesday, which is World AIDS Day. The participants will sign back on when the charity raises \$1 million.

"It's really important and super-cool to use mediums that we naturally are on," Keys said in a phone interview from New York last week.

For the campaign — which also includes Jennifer Hudson, Ryan Seacrest, Kim and Khloe Kardashian, Elijah Wood, Serena Williams, Janelle Monae and Keys' husband, Swizz Beatz — celebrities have filmed "last tweet and testament" videos and will appear in ads showing them lying in coffins to represent what the campaign calls their digital deaths.

"It's so important to shock you to the point of waking up," Keys said. "It's not that people don't care or it's not that people don't want to do something, it's that they never thought of it quite like that."

The campaign, she said, puts the disease in perspective.

"This is such a direct and instantly emotional way and a little sarcastic, you know, of a way to get people to pay attention," said Keys, who has more than 2.6 million followers on Twitter.

The foundation, which began in 2003, will accept donations through text messages and bar-code technology, which is featured in the charity's Buy Life campaign. Raised efforts support families affected by HIV/AIDS in Africa and

"We're trying to sort of make the remark: Why do we care so much about the death of one celebrity as opposed to millions and millions of people dying in the place that

we're all from?" said Leigh Blake, the president and cofounder of Keep a Child Alive. "It's about love and respect and human dignity," she added.

Keys said recruiting celebrities was difficult because of scheduling, but "once I got people on the phone and I was able to paint the concept for them, everybody was in."

Not one person said no, Keys recalled.

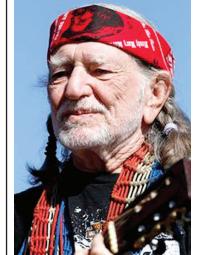
"I have a feeling that Gaga is going to raise it all by herself," Blake said. Lady Gaga has more than 7.2 million followers on Twitter, and nearly 24 million fans on Facebook.

"She's got a very, very mobilized fan base and that's beautiful to watch I think

(and) she's able to draw their attention to these issues that are very important, you know, and that people follow it and

Keys is hoping more people — both famous folks and noncelebs — get involved once the new initiative launches: "It just doesn't have to be just because you're a celebrity or something like that. It can be anybody." Keys, 29, married rapper-producer Swizz Beatz in July. The two had their first son, Egypt, last month. The Grammy winner said that though her life's getting busier, being a mother and wife makes her want to help others even more.

"As a human being, you deserve to have a chance at life," she said.



FILE - In this Nov. 7, 2010 photo, Willie Nelson performs before the start of the NASCAR AAA Texas 500 auto race at Texas Motor Speedway, in Fort Worth, Texas. A U.S. Border Patrol spokesman says Nelson was charged with marijuana possession after 6 ounces was found aboard his tour bus, Friday, Nov. 26, 2010, in Sierra Blanca, Texas.

(AP Photo/Tim Sharp, File)

### **Willie Nelson** charged with pot possession in Texas

SIERRA BLANCA, Texas – A U.S. Border Patrol spokesman says country singer Willie Nelson was charged with marijuana possession after 6 ounces was found aboard his tour bus in Texas.

Patrol spokesman Bill Brooks says the bus pulled into the Sierra Blanca, Texas, checkpoint about 9 a.m. Friday. Brooks says an officer smelled pot when a door was opened and a search turned up marijuana.

Brooks says the Hudspeth County sheriff was contacted and Nelson was among three people arrested.

Sheriff Arvin West didn't immediately return a phone message left at his home Friday, but he told the El Paso Times that Nelson claimed the marijuana was his. The singer was held briefly a \$2,500 bond before being released.

Nelson spokeswoman Elaine Schock declined to comment when contacted via e-mail by The Associated Press.



In this film publcity image released by Warner Bros. Pictures, Ralph Fiennes is shown in a scene from 'Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1.'

(AP Photo/Warner Bros. Pictures)

## **'Harry Potter' leads** holiday weekend with \$50.3**M**

LOS ANGELES - Harry Potter has narrowly won a boxoffice tangle with a fairy-tale princess.

"Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1" remained the No. 1 movie with \$50.3 million over Thanksgiving weekend, closely followed by the animated musical "Tangled" with

According to distributor Warner Bros., the next-to-last "Harry Potter" movie raised its domestic total to \$220.4 million after just 10 days in theaters.

"Tangled" is the latest Disney cartoon musical, with Mandy Moore providing the voice of fairy-tale princess Rapunzel. The movie raised its total to \$69 million since opening the day before Thanksgiving.

## In air cargo capital, no fear over shipping rules

By ADRIAN SAINZ,

MEMPHIS, Tenn. – As the busiest shipping season of the year begins, the specter of tighter security measures on air shipping after last month's international mail-bomb scare might have sent a shiver through FedEx's hometown.

It might have, if Memphians hadn't spent decades watching the company's planes fly into and out of what has grown into the world's busiest cargo airport, and seeing its delivery trucks heading out in all directions, and generally spotting its name all over this Mississippi River city. "Everywhere you look, FedEx is into everything here," basketball fan Matt Hine said as he stood in the bustling lobby of the \$250 million FedExForum, built six years ago to lure the Vancouver Grizzlies in a move that gave

Memphis a status-affirming pro sports franchise. The Memphis economy relies on FedEx for 30,000 jobs and the billions of dollars of business FedEx creates at Memphis International Airport, FedEx shipped 98 percent of cargo put aboard an airplane in 2007 at the airport, which had a \$28.6 billion impact on the area that year, according to a 2009 study commissioned by the airport. The Memphis identity relies on FedEx and a handful of other major companies, notably International Paper, AutoZone Inc. and The ServiceMaster Co., to lend enough prestige to push interest in the city beyond the cliche — blues, barbecue and Elvis. Those firms fuel confidence in residents and feelings of grandeur in politicians and other civic boosters in a place



FILE - In this Dec. 14, 2006 file photo, FedEx planes wait to be loaded and unloaded at their hub in the Memphis International Airport. The Memphis economy relies on FedEx for 30,000 jobs and the billions of dollars of business FedEx creates at Memphis International Airport. FedEx shipped 98 percent of cargo put aboard an airplane in 2007 at the airport, which had a \$28.6 billion impact on the area that year, according to a 2009 study commissioned by the airport.

(AP Photo/Greg Campbell, File)

## **EU approves \$113 billion bailout for Ireland**

By GABRIELE STEINHAUSER SHAWN POGATCHNIK,

**Associated Press** 

BRUSSELS – EU governments on Sunday approved an euro85 billion (\$113 billion) bailout deal for Ireland to help the debt-struck nation withstand the weight of its banking crisis.

According to a statement released by the Irish government, the country will take euro10 billion immediately to boost the capital reserves of its banks. Another euro25 billion earmarked for the banks will remain in reserve.

The Irish government's public finances will receive euro50 billion, to be drawn upon as necessary.

"It provides Ireland with vital time and space to successfully and conclusively address the unprecedented problems that we've been dealing with since this global economic crisis began," said Irish Prime Minister Brian Cowen at a press conference in Dublin.

The statement said the International Monetary Fund, the 16 eurozone nations and the European Commission will be involved. Britain, Sweden and Denmark will offer bilateral loans.

The statement says the average interest rate Ireland will is 5.8 percent. This total reflects higher rates to be charged by EU sources, and lower rates from IMF and national donors. Greece is paying 5.2 percent interest on its own bailout from May. Ireland's aid package includes loans that range from 3 to 7 1/2 years, longer than the Greeks' three-year deal. The European Commission also granted Ireland an extra



Irish Finance Minister Brian Lenihan arrives for a round table of eurozone finance ministers at the EU Council building in Brussels on Sunday, Nov. 28, 2010. Finance ministers from the eurozone and the EU are meet in Brussels Sunday to agree on a financial aid assistance package for Ireland.

(AP Photo/Yves Logghe)

year to bring down its deficit to within the EU limit of 3 percent of GDP. It will now have until 2015, compared with 2014 previously.

that has big-city aspirations and big-city problems but still evokes a small-town Southern feel, more New Orleans than Atlanta. Hine, 38, works in printing, making note pads and menus for the hospitality industry, and he praised FedEx Corp. for its speedy deliveries overseas. As a Memphian, he's also keenly aware of the economic impact the company has on Memphis, and like many others here, he has confidence in FedEx's ability to deal with adversity. "Them having to fire anyone, that's never concerned me," he said. "It's because of FedEx that Memphis has grown like it has." So it raised eyebrows here when intelligence officials last month narrowly thwarted a mail-bomb plot blamed on al-Qaida, stopping two explosive packages carrying printer cartridges shipped from Yemen through UPS and FedEx before they could blow up airplanes. Company

employees in Yemen were not required to X-ray the printer cartridges the explosives were hidden inside. Instead, they looked at the printers and sent them off U.S. officials said

them off, U.S. officials said. The episode led the Obama administration to announce new cargo rules banning freight out of Yemen and Somalia. It also restricted the shipment of printer and toner cartridges weighing more than a pound on all passenger flights and some cargo flights. Overall cargo security rules were unchanged. Congress is expected to look at whether more drastic changes are needed to improve air cargo security. U.S. Rep. Steve Cohen, D-Memphis, said he plans to speak with FedEx officials and said the security issue would "unquestionably" be discussed in the House.

All of that raises the question of whether shipping companies such as FedEx may have to cut costs or even jobs to pay for scanning technology.

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## Type 1 Diabetes Death Rate is Falling, But Not Fast Enough



By Serena Gordon

Death rates have dropped significantly in people with type 1 diabetes, according to a new study.

Researchers also found that people diagnosed in the late 1970s have an even lower mortality rate compared with those diagnosed in the 1960s.

"The encouraging thing is that, given good [diabetes] control, you can have a nearnormal life expectancy," said the study's senior author, Dr. Trevor J. Orchard, a professor of epidemiology, medicine and pediatrics in the Graduate School of Public Health at the University of Pittsburgh, Penn.

But, the research also found that mortality rates for people with type 1 still remain significantly higher than for the general population -seven times higher, in fact. And some groups, such as women, continue to have disproportionately higher mortality rates: women with type 1 diabetes are 13 times more likely to die than are their female counterparts without the disease.

Results of the study are published in the December issue of Diabetes Care.

Type 1 diabetes is an autoimmune disease that causes the body's immune system to mistakenly attack the body's insulin-producing cells. As a result, people with type 1 diabetes make little or no insulin, and must rely on lifelong insulin replacement either through injections or tiny catheter attached to an insulin pump. Insulin is a hormone that allows the body to use blood sugar.

Insulin replacement therapy isn't as effective as naturallyproduced insulin, however. People with type 1 diabetes often have blood sugar levels that are too high or too low,

exactly how much insulin you'll need. When blood sugar levels are too high due to too little insulin, it causes damage that can lead to long term complications, such as an increased risk of kidney failure and heart disease. On the other hand, if you have too much insulin, blood sugar levels can drop dangerously low, potentially leading to coma or death.

These factors are why type 1 diabetes has long been associated with a significantly increased risk of death, and a shortened life expectancy.

However. numerous improvements have been made in type 1 diabetes management during the past 30 years, including the advent of blood glucose monitors, insulin pumps, newer insulins, better medications to prevent complications and recently continuous glucose monitors.

To assess whether or not these advances have had any effect on life expectancy, Orchard, along with his student, Aaron Secrest, and their colleagues, reviewed data from a type 1 diabetes Allegheny registry from

because it's difficult to predict County, Pennsylvania. The registry contained information on almost 1,100 people under the age of 18 at the time they were diagnosed with type 1 diabetes.

> The children were sorted into three groups based on the year of their diagnosis: 1965 to 1969, 1970 to 1974 and 1975 to 1979. As of January 2008, 279 of the study participants had died, a death rate that is 7 times higher than would be expected in the general population.

> When the researchers broke the mortality rate down by the time of diagnosis, they found that those diagnosed later had a much improved mortality rate. The group diagnosed in the 1960s had a 9.3 times higher mortality rate than the general population, while the early 1970s group had a 7.5 times higher mortality than the general population. For the late 1970s group, mortality had dropped to 5.6 times higher than the general population.

> The mortality rate in women with type 1 diabetes remained significantly higher, however, at 13 times the rate expected in women in the general population.

## **School Vending Machines Undermine Student Nutrition**

The contents of school vending machines contribute Adolescent Health. to bad eating habits and poor nutrition, a new study shows.

U.S. researchers examined the impact that vending machine foods had on the food choices of 5,930 students at 152 schools.

The vending machines in 83 percent of the schools sold foods with minimal nutritional value, including chips, sodas and sweets.

In elementary schools that sold fruits and vegetables in vending machines, students ate more produce overall than students in schools that didn't offer such healthy choices. By the same token, students ate more sweets overall if they went to schools with vending machines that sold sweets.

The findings were published online in the Journal of

"Schools provide not only an environment for learning but an environment that affects healthful eating and physical activity. School policies should require the establishment of an optimum environment for child health," study co-author Ronald Iannotti, of the U.S. National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, said in a Center for Advancing Health news release.

"We are supposed to be teaching proper nutrition in the schools, and having a vending machine inside of the school doesn't make sense. Schools are introducing foods that every nutritional scientist in the world knows are dangerous," Dr. Joel Fuhrman, nutritional researcher who specializes in preventing and reversing disease, said in the news release.



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## **UK turkey tycoon Matthews** dies on Thanksgiving

LONDON – Turkey tycoon Bernard Matthews -- the man behind the infamous turkey twizzler -- has died at the age of 80 his company said.

death came on Thursday, Thanksgiving Day in the U.S, a celebration often referred to as "Turkey Day."

Matthews was one of the first businessmen to personally advertise their products on British television, coining the memorable catchphrase, "they're bootiful" in his rich Norfolk accent.

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Alicia Machado closed her

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mocked for confusing the

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"He is the man who effectively put turkey on the plates of everyday working families and in so doing became one of the largest employers in rural East Anglia and a major supporter of the local farming community," said the company's chief executive Noel Bartram in a statement.

Matthews, the son of a mechanic, left school at 16 and went on to become a household name, only stepping down as chairman of the company on his 80th birthday early this year.

"From simple beginnings, with

pounds (\$3.93) 60 years ago, Bernard Matthews took the business from 20 turkey eggs and a second-hand paraffin incubator to a successful and thriving multi million pound company," said Bartram

In recent years his company was dogged by an image problem after the celebrity chef Jamie Oliver maligned turkey twizzlers, one of the company's key product lines. It also was hit hard by the 2007 outbreak of bird flu.

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Venezuelan Beauty queen stumbles a South Korean island, the CARACAS – Venezuela's 1996 beauty queen winner got muddled when tweeting

> for world peace via her @aliciamachado77 account.

"Tonight I want to ask you Korea's artillery attack on to join me in a prayer for

peace, that these attacks

between the Chinas do not make our situation worse," she wrote late on Tuesday. Her gaffe unleashed a rush of insulting posts, prompting her to go offline. "I now have a lot of psychopaths on

**German man demands money** back for breast implants

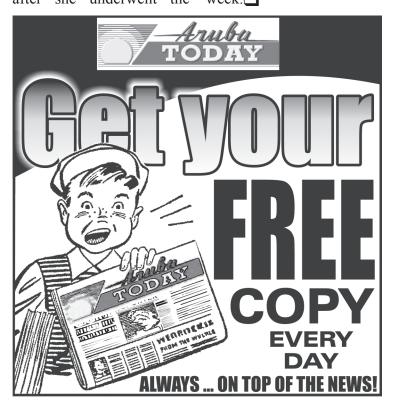
BERLIN (Reuters Life!) A German woman who splashed out on breast implants with a loan from her then boyfriend now fears her assets could be re-possessed after she failed to fully reimburse him, the 20-year-old woman told Bild newspaper.

Her ex-boyfriend is demanding that she return the 4,379 euros (\$5,865) he gave her to pay for her breast enlargement surgery in 2009 or he'll call the police and get the repossessors involved, Bild reported on Wednesday.

"It's true that Carsten signed a loan agreement shortly before the operation," the woman named only as Anastasia is quoted saying. "The condition was

that I wouldn't have to pay plastic surgery. The womhim back if I stayed with him for a year."

But the pair split shortly after she underwent the an said she had transferred 3,000 euros into her exboyfriend's account last week.



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## Hunters may have delivered fatal blow to mammoths

By ARTHUR MAX, **Associated Press** CHERSKY, Russia - During bison lumbered across northern

the last Ice Age, shaggy mammoths, woolly rhinos and



A baby elephant, seen here with his mother at a Safari Park in Indonesia. Five rare Sumatran elephants found dead in Indonesia were likely poisoned for damaging crops, according to an official.

#### Five dead elephants believed poisoned in Indonesia

JAKARTA - Five rare Sumatran elephants found dead in Indonesia were likely poisoned for damaging crops, according

The elephants, aged two to four years old, were found dead in an oil-palm plantation in a village in Riau province on Sumatra island on Friday, conservation agency official Edi

"Preliminary medical checks indicated that the elephants could have died from sulphur poisoning. We're still investigating," he said

"We suspect villagers killed them using poison for wild boars as the elephants had damaged their crops. We're chasing the perpetrators," he added.

Human-animal conflicts are a rising problem as people encroach on wildlife habitats in Indonesia, an archipelago with some of the world's largest remaining tropical forests. There are up to 3,350 Sumatran elephants remaining in the

wild, according to the environmental group WWF.

Siberia. Then, about 10,000 years ago — in the span of a geological heartbeat, or a few hundred years — the last of them disappeared.

Many scientists believe a dramatic shift in climate drove these giant grazers to extinction.

But two scientists who live year-round in the frigid Siberian plains say that man either for food, fuel or fun - hunted the animals to extinction.

Paleontologists have squabbling for decades over how these animals met their sudden demise. The most persuasive theories say it was humanity and nature: Dramatically warming temperatures caused a changing habitat and brought a migration of men armed with deep-piercing spears.

No one knows for sure what set off global warming back then — perhaps solar activity or a slight shift in the Earth's orbit. But, in an echo of the global warming debate today, Sergey Zimov, director of the internationally funded Northeast Science Station, and his son Nikita say man was the real agent of change.

For the Siberian grasses to provide nutrition in winter, they needed to be grazed in summer to produce fresh shoots in autumn. The hooves of millions of reindeer, elk and moose as well as the larger beasts also trampled choking moss, while their waste promoted the blossoming of summer meadows.

As the ice retreated at the end of the Pleistocene era — the final millennia of a 1.8 million

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In this photo taken Oct. 23, 2010 Russian scientist Sergey Zimov talks about mammoth bones he has collected in this remote area of northeast Siberia. Zimov has stacked the bones on a barge in the river near the Northeast Science Station, which he directs, in the town of Chersky, Russia. Zimov believes mammoths, woolly rhinos and other Ice Age animals became extinct after human hunters killed too many to maintain the delicate balance between the animals and the grasslands that fed them.

(AP Photo/Arthur Max)

yearlong epoch — it cleared the way for man's expansion into previously inaccessible lands, like this area bordering the East Siberia Sea.

Northeastern Siberia, today one of the coldest and most formidable spots on the globe, was dry and free of glaciers. The ground grew thick with fine layers of dust and decaying plant life, generating rich pastures during the brief summers. When humans arrived they hunted not only for food, but for the fat that kept the northern animals insulated against the subzero cold, which the hunters burned for fuel, say the scientists. They may also have killed for prestige or for sport, in the same way buffalo were heedlessly felled in the American Old West, sometimes

from the window of passing trains.

slaughter The wholesale allowed the summer fodder to dry up and destroy the winter supply, they say.

"We don't look at animals just as animals. We look at them as a system, with vegetation and the whole ecosystem," said the younger Zimov. "You don't need to kill all the animals to kill an ecosystem."

During the transition from the ice age to the modern climate, global temperatures rose 5 degrees Celsius, or 9 Fahrenheit. But in Siberia's northeast the temperature soared 7 degrees, or nearly 13F, in just three years, the elder Zimov said.

The theory of human overkill is much disputed. Advocates of climate theory say the warm wet weather that accompanied the rapid melting of glaciers spawned birch forests that overwhelmed the habitats of the bulky grass eaters.

Adrian Lister, of paleontology department of London's Natural History Museum, said humans may have delivered the final blow, but rapid global warming was primarily responsible for the mammoth's extinction. It brought an abrupt change in vegetation that squeezed dwindling number of mammoths into isolated pockets, where hunters could pick off the last herds, he said. People "couldn't have done the whole job," he told AP Television News.

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## Candidatos presidenciales piden anular elecciones en Haití

(AP) - Casi todos los principales candidatos en las elecciones presidenciales de Haití apoyaron una petición para cancelar la elección del domingo, en medio de acusaciones de fraude y reportes de que un gran número de votantes no pudieron sufragar.

\_los más Doce candidatos importantes, con la notable ausencia de Jude Celestin, quien es respaldado por el partido Unidad del presidente René Preval apoyaron un comunicado conjunto que denuncia la elección como fraudulenta y convoca a sus partidarios a mostrar su descontento con manifestaciones contra el gobierno y el Consejo Electoral Provisional.

"Es evidente que Preval y el CEP no estaban preparados para las elecciones", dijo la candidata Anne Marie Josette Bijou, quien

Haití levó el comunicado ante una multitud en un hotel de la capital. Muchos seguidores en la rueda de prensa cantaron el himno nacional y corearon la frase "arresten a Preval" mientras los candidatos subían al estrado para una conferencia de prensa conjunta.

> El CEP dijo inmediatamente después de la conferencia que la elección seguiría su curso. El frente unido de los candidatos podría poner en duda la legitimidad de la elección y provocar violencia.

> El abogado Jean Henry Ceant, candidato de la fórmula "Love Haití" desestimó la noción de que su llamado a protestar resulte en un baño de sangre. "El único responsable de la violencia es el presidente René Preval", dijo.

> Pese al temor a la epidemia de cólera o a la violencia política, los haitianos acudieron en tropel a las urnas sólo para encontrar



Votantes hacen fila para votar junto a un muro cubierto de propaganda electoral el domingo 28 de noviembre del 2010. (Fot AP/Ramon Espinosa)

horas después de la hora o que sus nombres no del 12 de enero. También

cerradas aparecían en los padrones, aunque sí los de muchos de programada para abrirlas los muertos por el terremoto

hubo reportes esporádicos de violencia e intimidación, así como del robo de una urna.







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